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Goffstown, New Hampshire

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EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	**911 OR 497-3311**
POLICE	**911 OR 497-2232**
POISON CENTER	**800-562-8236**

TOWN HALL 497-8990

Admin/Selectmen	Ext. 100	Planning	117
Assessor	112	Sewer	116
Building	114	Tax Collector	110
Finance	104	Town Clerk	107

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire (Church St.)	497-3619	Parks & Recreation	497-3003
Fire (E. Goffstown)	497-4655	Police	497-4858
Fire (Pinardville)	622-6713	Public Works	497-3617
Library	497-2102	Transfer Station	497-4824

SCHOOLS

Bartlett Elementary	623-8088	Mt. View Middle	497-8288
Maple Ave. Elem.	497-3330	Goffstown High	497-4841
Glen Lake School	497-3550	SAU #19 Admin.	497-4818

VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Water	497-3621	Grasmere Water	497-8346

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DEDICATION

Police Chief Michael T. French, Ret.

It was September 1973 when Michael French began his career with the Town of Goffstown, a career which spanned 34 years. Since he was not old enough to carry a gun, he began as a Dispatcher. When he became of age, he became a volunteer Special Police Officer and continued his paid position as a dispatcher. In 1976 he became a full-time Police Officer. He held the specialized assignments of Juvenile Specialist, K-9 Handler and Explorer Post Advisor. In 1984 he was promoted to the rank of Corporal while working in the Juvenile Division. It did not take him long to rise to the rank of Sergeant in charge of Detectives in 1986. Three years later he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. He was the Accreditation Manager and instrumental in preparing the Goffstown Police Department for international accreditation with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in 1992. This was no small fete, as Goffstown was the first town in New Hampshire to become accredited utilizing our valued part-time officers. He received a Distinguished Service Medal in 1992 for his dedication to the accreditation process. In 1995 he became Captain, Executive Officer, a position he held until his promotion to Chief of Police in 1999. Chief French served as Police Chief until his well earned retirement in April 2008.

Mike is an active volunteer in Goffstown and the state. Organizations such as Goffstown Junior Baseball, Goffstown Main Street Program, Crispin' House, Rotary Club and Camp Fatima have benefitted from his active volunteerism. Chief French and his wife Sue continue to reside in Goffstown where they raised their two children, Bruce and Missy. Since his retirement he enjoys more time with his grand-daughter Susan Rose who he adores.

Chief French dedicated his entire 34-year Law Enforcement career to the Town of Goffstown. We are grateful for his loyalty and dedication to the town. Goffstown is a better place to live and work because of Michael T. French. Therefore, it is with great pride and thanks that the Goffstown Board of Selectmen dedicate the 2008 Annual Report to retired Police Chief Michael T. French.

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Town Information

In 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4 but the settlement of the town did not begin in earnest until the 1740s. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760s, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. Oxen drew the wood to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through town.

Goffstown is located at 43° 01' N and 71° 36' W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114; and 16 miles from Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire. The town has three boroughs or regions: Goffstown Village, Grasmere Village and Pinardville.

The Town has a population of approximately 17,784 (2004 OEP) and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306' above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1,321' above sea level.

A five member Board of Selectmen governs Goffstown. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the annual Town Meeting. The Town provides a full array of governmental services, library and recreational services. At the 1996 Annual Meeting residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot.

TOWN HALL: Located at 16 Main Street, the Town Hall houses the following offices: Administration/Selectmen, Assessing, Building, Finance, Information Technology, Planning & Zoning, Sewer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk. Town Hall office hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Town Clerk: Voter registration is with the Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. To register to vote, one must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Goffstown. New voter registrations for local, state and federal elections may be done at the polls on Election Day. For eligibility to vote at the Ballot Determination Meeting you must register 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for all elections.

Dog licenses expire on April 30 each year. A dog must be licensed at 4 months of age. A rabies certificate is required. Fees are $6.50 for neutered pets, $9.00 unaltered. A penalty of $1.00 per month is assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registrations, initiated at the Town Clerk's office, are due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Registration decals are available for an additional fee of $2.50. Passenger, motorcycle, trailer and tractor plates are also available in this office. The Town is on-line with NH Division of Motor Vehicles to provide a full range of motor vehicle registration services, including boat registrations. You must present your driver's license and your state issued renewal form, or previous registration.

Property Taxes: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. Town-wide valuation update was completed in 2008. The tax rate for 2008 was $22.69 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

Zoning: The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Goffstown was originally adopted and made effective on March 14, 1961. The Ordinance regulates land use in town and zoning amendments are adopted at the Annual Town Meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The Fire Department provides services to the community from three (3) facilities that are located throughout the Town. Fire Stations are located on Tirrell Hill Road in East Goffstown, Church Street in the Village and Mast Road in Pinardville. The Department's Administration Office is located at the Village Fire Station and can be contacted by calling 497-3619.

POLICE: The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the State Prison for Women. The department provides emergency response to a variety of situations within the community 24 hours a day.

PUBLIC WORKS: The Public Works Department is located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Its office is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located at the intersection of Main Street (Route 114), High Street and Elm Street adjacent to the historic Popcorn Stand. The library is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 am to 8 pm, Thursday from 9 am to 6 pm, Friday from 9 am to 5 pm and 9 am to 2 pm on Saturday during the school year. Check our web site at www.goffstown.lib.nh.us for more information, or call us at 497-2102.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.: The Parks and Recreation Center is located at 155 S. Mast Street with meeting rooms and gymnasium for activities. The Dept. provides two (2) supervised playgrounds with excellent summer programs, two (2) public swimming pools, seven (7) public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, an outdoor ice-skating area, and a skateboard park. Extensive recreational activities for youth and adults are offered year-round.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: An elected 9 member School Board governs the Goffstown School District; the Annual School District Meeting determines its budget. At the 1996 Annual Meeting voters passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department Offices are located in the White Building at 11 School St. in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown, Dunbarton and New Boston. The public schools within Goffstown School District consists of three (3) elementary schools – Glen Lake School at 251 Elm St. (pre-school and kindergarten), Maple Avenue Elementary School in the Village and Bartlett Elementary School in Pinardville (grades 1-4); Mountain View Middle School, located at 41 Lauren Lane, (grades 5-8), and Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Rd. (grades 9-12). Mountain View Middle School and Goffstown High School accept tuition students from the Dunbarton and New Boston school districts.

Meeting Schedule

Board of Selectmen
Every Monday at 6:00 PM unless posted otherwise. Meetings held in the Mildred Stark Meeting Room at Goffstown Town Hall.

Budget Committee
Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Community Access Cable TV Committee
Second Monday of the month at 6:30 PM at the GTV studio in Goffstown High School.

Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) Committee
June through September, Wednesdays at 7:00 PM as needed.

Conservation Commission
Fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

Economic Development Council
Fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Highway Safety Committee As needed

Historic District Commission
First Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM at the Grasmere Town Hall.

Library Trustees
Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Library.

Parks & Recreation Committee
Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Parks & Recreation Center.

Planning Board
Second & fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

School Board
First & third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown High School.

Sewer Commission
Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Solid Waste Commission
Starting in January, the third Wednesday of every other month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Dept. of Public Works Building.

Zoning Board of Adjustment
First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

People Serving Goffstown

Governor
John Lynch

United States Senators
Judd Gregg
John E. Sununu

Representative in Congress
Carol Shea Porter - **1st. District**

Executive Councilor- District 5
Debora B. Pignatelli

State Senator- District 20
Lou D'Allesandro

Representatives to General Court District 7 (2008-2009 Roster)
Russell C. Day
Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.
Richard E. Fletcher
Randolph (Rip) Holden
Gary Hopper
Neal M. Kurk
Pamela V. Manney
Karen K. McRae

Board of Selectmen

Nicholas Campasano, *Chair*	2009
Scott Gross, *Vice Chair*	2010
Vivian Blondeau	2010
John Caprio	2009
Philip A. D'Avanza	2011

Town Moderator
Rodney L. Stark 2010

Town Clerk
Cathy Ball 2011

Town Treasurer
Jean C. Mayberry 2011

Administrative Officers
Sue Desruisseaux, MPA
Town Administrator, Deputy Treasurer
Patrick J. Sullivan, *Police Chief, Emergency Management Dir.*
Richard O'Brien, *Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden*
Carl L. Quiram, *Public Works Director*
David L. French, *Recreation Director*
Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*
Janice O'Connell, MBA, *Finance Director*
Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*
Renee Millson, *Dep. Tax Collector*
Karen LeClerc, *Dep. Town Clerk*
Scott Bartlett, *Assessor*
Marc Tessier, *Building Inspector, and Health Officer*
Stephen Griffin, AICP, *Planning & Economic Development Coord.*
Derek Horne, *Zoning Code Enforcement Officer*
Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Administrator*
Kerry P. Steckowych, *Prosecutor*
Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher, *Town Counsel*

ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coord.*	2009
Rosemary Garretson	2009
Richard Hopf	2009
Jean Mayberry	2009
Wayne Richardson	2009

Virginia McKinnon
School Board Rep.
Henry Boyle, *Alt. School Bd. Rep.*

Budget Committee

Daniel Cloutier, *Chair*	2009
John Hikel, *Town Sub-Committee Chair*	2011

William Hart, *School Sub-Committee Chair* 2011
Ivan Beliveau 2010
Steve Fournier 2009
Christi Garrison 2011
Roxann Hunt 2009
David Pierce 2010
Roger Richard 2010
Judy Roberge 2010
Cathie Simard 2011
Theresa Walton 2009
Nicholas Campasano, *Sel. Rep.*
Keith Allard, *School Bd. Rep.*
Richard Fletcher, *Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.*
Bill Gordon, *Grasmere Village Water Precinct Rep.*

Building Board of Appeals

Arthur Rose, Sr., *Chair* 2011
Norman Chauvette 2011
Darron Pierson 2010
Wayne Richardson 2009
David White 2009
Paul Lebrun, *Alt.* 2011

Cable TV Access Committee

Rosemary Garretson, *Chair* 2009
Donald Gagnon, *Vice-Chair* 2011
Ivan Beliveau 2009
Ryan Casey 2010
James Pingree 2010
Michael Przekaza 2009
William Wynne 2011
Barbara Doody, *Alt.* 2011
Carole Klement Huxel, *Alt.* 2010
Patrick Tucker, *Alt.* 2009
Neil Funcke, *Gov't. Advisor*
Jeff Tate, *School Advisor*
Richard Gagnon, *PEG Coordinator*

Cemetery Trustees

Joan Konieczny 2009
Linda Reynolds-Naughton 2011
Jean Walker 2010

C.I.P. Committee

Tim Redmond, *Chair* 2009
Earl S. Carrel, *Community Rep.* 2009
Frederick P. Cass, *Community Rep.* 2009
Henry Boyle, *Sch. Board Rep.* 2009
Scott Gross, *Sel. Rep.* 2009
Fred Plett, *Plan. Bd. Rep.* 2009
David Pierce, *Budget Rep.* 2009
Keith Allard, *Alt. Sch. Bd Rep.* 2009
Stephen Griffin, *Planning Adv.* 2009

Conservation Commission

Kimberly Peace, *Chair* 2011
Evelyn Miller, *Vice Chair* 2011
Karen McRae 2009
David Nieman 2010
Kimberly Ricard 2009
Susan Tucker 2009
Jean Walker 2010
Collis Adams, *Alt.* 2011
Amy Pollock, *Alt.* 2009
Vivian Blondeau, *Sel. Rep.*
Patty Gale, *Staff Liaison*
3 Vacant Alt. Positions

Economic Development Council

Albert Desruisseaux, *Chair* 2010
Daniel Reidy, *Vice Chair* 2010
Richard Bruno 2009
John Hikel 2010
John E. Neville 2010
William Wynne 2009
Bryan King, *Alt.* 2009
Stephen Langley, *Alt.* 2011
Scott Gross, *Sel. Rep.*
Stephen Griffin, *TA's Rep.*
Alan Yeaton, *Planning Bd. Rep.*

Goffstown Common Oversight Comm.

David French, *P&R Dir., Chair*
Larry Brown, *Citizen Rep.* 2008
Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*
Mark Rynearson, *Citizen Rep.* 2010
Nicholas Campasano, *Sel. Rep.*

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Allen D. Gamans, Jr. *Chair*	2010
Henry C. Boyle	2013
Richard Coughlin	2012
Richard Fletcher	2009
Raymond Taber	2011
Mark Norklun, *Moderator*	2009
Linda Reynolds-Naughton, *Clerk*	

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Christine H. Daniels, *Chair*	2009
Raymond St. Pierre	2010
William Swanson	2011
Diane Rand, *Clerk*	2009
Bruce Rand, *Treasurer*	2009
Bill Gordon, *Alt.*	2011

Highway Safety Committee

Patrick J. Sullivan, *Police Chief, Chair*	
Ruth E. Gage, *Community Rep.*	2009
Stephen Griffin, *Planning & Economic Dev. Coordinator*	
Carl Quiram, *Public Works Dir.*	

Historic District Commission

Elizabeth Dubrulle, *Chair*	2009
Charles W. Carr	2010
Lionel Coulon	2009
Elaine Emerton	2010
Mary Sullivan	2011
Ruth Gage, *Alt.*	2010
Alice Rohr, *Alt.*	2010
Rodney Stark, *Alt.*	2011
Mildred A. Wheeler-Pratt, *Alt.*	2011
William Wynne, *Alt.*	2009
Philip D'Avanza, *Sel. Rep.*	
Derek Horne, *Staff Liaison*	
1 Vacant Alt. Position	

Library Trustees

Lisa Iodice, *Chair*	2010
Richard Chamberlin, *Vice Chair*	2009
Ruth Anne Biron	2010
Jennifer Foley	2011
Judy Pancoast	2009
Michael Pelletier	2009
Susan Plante	2011
Henry Boyle, *Alt.*	2009
Sara Santoro, *Alt.*	2009
Michael Lawler, *Alt.*	2009
Philip D'Avanza, *Sel. Rep.*	
Roger Richard, *Budget Rep.*	

Municipal Records Retention Committee

Scott Bartlett	2009
Cathy Ball	2009
Gail Lavallee	2009
Jean Mayberry	2009

Parks & Recreation Commission

Robert P. Draper, *Chair*	2010
Kurt Lauer, *Vice Chair*	2010
Janet MacDougall	2010
D. Michael McKinnon	2009
William Sullivan	2012
Philip Tatro	2012
Susan Tucker	2012
J. Claude LaRoche, *Alt.*,	2010
Scott Gross, *Sel. Rep.*	
Christi Garrison, *Budget Rep.*	

Planning Board

Lowell VonRuden, *Chair*	2011
JoAnn Duffy	2009
Steven Dutton	2009
James Raymond	2011
Timothy Redmond	2010
Alan Yeaton	2009
Collis Adams, *Alt.*	2011
John Caprio, *Sel. Rep.*	
3 Vacant Alt Positions	

Sewer Commission

James Bouchard, *Chair*	2009
Stephen Crean	2011
Catherine Whooten	2010
Scott Gross, *Sel. Rep.*	

Solid Waste Commission

Frederick Plett, *Chair*	2009
Russell Day	2009
Tammy Gross	2010
David W. Packard	2009
Andre Roy	2010
I. Richard Schaffner	2011
Donald Tuttle	2011
John Caprio, *Sel. Rep.*	
Mike Walton, *Adv.*	
3Vacancies	

So. NH Planning Commission

Henry C. Boyle	2010
JoAnn Duffy	2009
Barbara Griffin	2012
Anthony Marts, *Alt.*	2009

Supervisors of the Checklist

Denise Lemay, *Chair*	2014
Christine Daniels	2012
Suzanne Tremblay	2010

Trustees of the Trust Funds

Kenneth Rose, *Chair*	2010
Earl S. Carrel	2011
Calvin Pratt	2009

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Catherine Whooten, *Chair*	2011
Kevin Reigstad, *Vice Chair*	2009
Denise Herman	2009
Gail Labrecque	2010
Theresa Walton	2009
Leonard P. Stuart, *Alt.*	2011
4 Vacant Alt. Positions	

School Board

Keith Allard, *Chairman*	2009
Philip Pancoast, *Vice Chair*	2011
Henry Boyle	2011
Lorry Cloutier	2010
Phillip Kendall	2010
Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon	2009
Kent Nolan	2009
Suzanne Tremblay	2009
Jeffrey Tate	2010
Tom Hart, *Student Rep.*	

School District Clerk

JoAnn Duffy	2009

School District Moderator

James Raymond	2009

School District Treasurer

Lissa Winrow	2009

School District Administration
S.A.U. #19

Stacy Buckley
Superintendent of Schools
Brian Balke, *Asst. Superintendent*
Mary Claire Barry, *Asst. Superintendent*
Raymond Labore, *Business Mgr.*

Bartlett Elementary School
David Bousquet, *Principal*

Glen Lake School
Leslie Doster, *Principal*

Goffstown High School
Frank McBride, *Principal*
Kim McCann, *Asst. Principal*
Mary Singer, *Asst. Principal*

Maple Ave. Elementary School
Marc A. Boyd, *Principal*
Suzanne Pyszka, *Asst. Principal*

Mountain View Middle School
Jim Hunt, *Principal*
Jennifer Gillis, *Asst. Principal*
Travis Garrett, *Asst. Principal*

SELECTMEN ANNUAL REPORT



Seated L-R; Selectman Vivian Blondeau, Chairman Nicholas Campasano, Vice Chairman Scott Gross. Standing L-R: Selectman John A. Caprio, Selectman Philip A. D'Avanza

At this time each year we review events and accomplishments of the past year. A December ice storm left many residents without power for days and some for weeks. The federal declaration of emergency will assist towns in recouping the costs related to the cleanup of downed trees and limbs.

During 2008 we continued our long range goals and accomplished steps towards their achievement.

(1) Keep Goffstown Affordable

During 2008 the town began the implementation of three new software programs in an effort to use technology to improve efficiency. TEMSIS software is now used in the ambulances to improve communications with the hospital and patient reporting thus improving patient care. The more timely entry of data while in the ambulance makes more efficient use of employee time. The Public Works Department purchased and is in the process of implementing VueWorks, asset management software, which tracks improvements on the town's infrastructure. Assessing is in the process of implementing the new VISION-GIS software.

In an effort to explore partnerships we held meetings with various committees and boards such as All Boards, School Board, CIP, Conservation Commission, Library Trustees, and State Representatives. This year the voters will decide whether the costs of the School Resource Officer will be paid for by

the School District so that the cost can be shared with the sending school districts. Currently, this position is funded by only the Town of Goffstown. The Board embraces the idea from the All Boards Meeting to contract with a grant writer to expand on grant applications. The grant writer would be paid by the administrative fees allowed in the grant. In this way the Board does not increase the budget to hire a grant writer. The partnership with the Rail Trail Committee continues to flourish and several construction projects were accomplished in 2008.

In 2008 Administration was successful in acquiring Rail Trail grants totaling $59,185. The Police Department acquired $38,510 in grants to replace the generator and to update the Emergency Management Plan. The Fire Department acquired a Homeland Security Grant for Air Breathing Station in the amount of $38,000. In addition to grants, the town benefitted from a variety of gifts of personal property: LifePak Monitor Defibrillator valued at $22,000 from the New England Heart Institute; Canine Kevlar Vest valued at $750 from Kevlar for Canines; and interoperable radio equipment valued at $5,500 from Souhegan Mutual Aid. In addition there were smaller personal property donations which did not require Public Hearings. We thank all donors for their generosity.

In 2009 we plan to start the CIP process with department heads submitting their CIP requests to the Board of Selectmen by May 1 prior to submitting to CIP.

The Board continued its budget development process and developed the 2009 budget based upon adjustments to the default budget. We completed our review of town fees, held a public hearing and established the new fee structure with an effective date of 1/1/09.

(2) Improve Customer Service

Although we explored the use of Customer Relationship Software to provide 24/7 customer service for all town services, it proved too costly and was cut from the 2008 budget. We are committed to searching for low cost technology to meet the growing needs of the community and staff. Town Hall continues cross-training office staff to maximize office coverage and customer service.

(3) Increase Citizen Involvement

In an effort to increase citizen involvement and communication with citizens, we continue our public comment session at the beginning of our regularly scheduled meetings. Also, we continue to appoint citizens to serve on ad-hoc committees to provide advice to the Board. The Ethics Policy Development Committee concluded and a Code of Conduct was approved by the Board of Selectmen. Also, a Village Planning Committee was convened to review the Village Plan and provide us options as we look towards the road work in the Village Area in next few years. We continue to meet with State Representatives regarding pending legislation to assure there is no downshifting of costs to the local property taxpayer.

(4) Special Projects

During 2008 the Board of Selectmen adopted an updated Emergency Management Plan which uses the format now required by the federal government

to be eligible for continued federal funds. The Board concluded its Code of Conduct, Rules of Procedures and reviewed and revised various town policies.

Although the $2.5 million bond for expansion of municipal water system to Lynchville and Danis Parks passed at the 2008 Town Meeting, there was insufficient support from the potential users of the system to move forward with the project due to the cost to individual users. Therefore, the town will continue to explore available grants to reduce the cost to the users.

The District Court has relocated to the Bouchard Building at the Hillsborough County Complex. Upon passage of the 2009 town budget, we will seek proposals for the most efficient use of Town Hall space. The proposal will address the needs for meeting space, office space, energy efficiency, structural integrity, and security. We are fortunate to have offsetting funds from the Mildred Stark Trust Fund for this planning and construction.

The Board would like to thank the voters for supporting the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Apparatus and appropriating $420,000 in 2008 to this fund. We hope you will continue to support annual contributions to this fund so as to avoid bonding and interest costs for the purchase of future fire apparatus. We also thank the voters for supporting the Fire Union's Collective Bargaining Agreement and for accepting the SAFER grant to hire two new full-time firefighters.

In 2009 you will be asked to vote on an article to acquire land abutting the Library. The Library Trustees plan to use their unrestricted funds for this purchase. This appropriation will not impact the town tax rate.

Appreciation

During 2008 many long term employees retired: Police Chief Michael French (34 years); Sewer Administrative Assistant Marilyn Hozeny (23 years); Building Inspector Ed Neveu (15 years). We thank them for their service to the town and wish them well in their retirement.

Donna Bergeron served the Town for many years in various capacities. She was a part-time secretary to the Fire Wardens, a full-time Secretary to the Selectmen and Administration Office (1993-1999), and Town Clerk (1999-2008). We are deeply saddened by her passing in January 2009.

We recognize and thank the many volunteers who serve on town committees, commissions and boards. Your countless hours and efforts assist us in meeting the ever-increasing demands on municipal government. Thank you to the Main Street Program volunteers for all your efforts in promoting Goffstown's community image. We thank the hardworking team of town employees who help carry out the Board of Selectmen goals and mission given by the voters.

This year's accomplishments are due to the support of the Goffstown voters. Thank you and we look forward to your continued support.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Nicholas Campasano, *Chairman*
Scott Gross, *Vice-Chairman*
Vivian Blondeau
John A. Caprio
Philip A. D'Avanza

Report of the New Hampshire Senate to the Town of Goffstown

Thank you for the opportunity to report to the residents of Goffstown from the New Hampshire State Senate.

I'd like to begin by thanking the residents of Goffstown for once again entrusting me to represent them in the State Senate. I will continue to serve as Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. We face a daunting challenge over the next biennium of trying to craft a balanced budget in the face of an economic recession. All state agencies have been directed to look at ways to reduce costs and cut spending. We hope to be able to achieve significant costs savings without having to cut back on the programs and services that many of our citizens rely on.

I'd like to commend the citizens of Goffstown for the support given to one another during the most recent natural disasters that have taken place in our state. The work done by Goffstown residents at the shelter at the Mountain View School was truly exemplary of neighbor taking care of neighbor. Once again, it proves that working together, we can make a difference.

As always, if you'd like to discuss a particular piece of legislation, or if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me. You can write to me at the State House, email me at dalas@leg.state.nh.us, or call my office at 271-2117.

Lastly, I'd like to give a special thank you to Sara Sarette for her long service as a member of the school board.

Respectfully submitted by,
Senator Lou D'Allesandro

Town of Goffstown NH
2009 Annual Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goffstown in the County of Hillsborough qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday February 4, 2009 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown High School in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 10, 2009. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 5, 2009.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 10, 2009 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 10, 2009 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all Town Officers, Trustees, Commissioners, and School District Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 3 by inserting a new section between Sections 3.5 and 3.6, renumbering as appropriate, this new section to read:

3.6 Workforce Housing

3.6.1 In the event that an applicant intends to qualify for workforce housing under RSA 674:60I, the Planning Board may require agreements so that the units so designated would remain as workforce housing.

3.6.2 In order to evaluate the cost of complying with the conditions and restrictions and the effect on economic viability, under RSA 674:40II, the Planning Board would expect that the applicant's submission would include, but not be limited to, square-foot size of dwelling units, number of bedrooms, property cost, site development cost, cost of off-site improvements, unit construction cost per square foot, architectural and engineering cost, legal cost, construction financing cost, developer's profit, cost of conditions and restrictions.

Planning Board voted 5-2-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 4.3, Table of Dimensional Regulations, so that the footnote "Less setback or more building footprint by Planning Board Conditional Use Permit." will also apply to the Residential Density-2 district.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 5.21, Residential Small Business Office-1, by adding a new Section 5.21.7 to read: The issuance of a demolition permit shall require a conditional use permit, with the Planning Board finding, in addition to Section 15.4.1 Conditional Use Standards, that there has been a fire, natural disaster or other casualty loss requiring building demolition, or that the proposed demolition will not be materially harmful to the stated intent of this district.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 5.23, Residential Wind Turbine in order to meet changes in State Statute, RSA 674:62 through 674:66, the full text of which is available at the Town Office.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 6.4.2, adding a new sentence reading: Signs, for which sign content is changed electronically, shall require a Conditional Use Permit.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 13.3 Wetland and Surface Water Conservation (WSWC) District by removing language relating to process which is more appropriately contained within the Planning Board's Development Regulations, the full text of which is available at the Town Office.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 15.3.1.1.2 to read: Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #11 as proposed by the Planning Board, to specifically include fencing as one of the items that would be reviewed in an Historic District, by amending Section 3.4.4: adding "fence" after the word structure in the first sentence and adding "or the erection, alteration or removal of any fence" at the end of this Section's last sentence.

Planning Board voted 6-1-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Nineteen Million Three Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars **($19,362,358)**.

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars ($7,530,959).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Three Dollars ($1,654,293) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Three Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Thirty Eight Dollars ($399,038) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Three Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars ($19,362,358)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Two Hundred ~~Eighty Three Thousand Eight~~ Sixty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Five Dollars ($19,267,455), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 9-5-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) to be placed in the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund which was established by vote of last year's Town Meeting. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 10.)

Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 8-6-0 to not recommend.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 10.)

Board of Selectmen voted 4-1-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 11-2-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $300,000 for the purpose of paying the purchase price as well as all related costs, (title search, closing costs, etc.), for the acquisition of a portion of Map 38, Lot 101, (12 High Street, land abutting the Library), (subject to an approved lot line adjustment), which property will be owned in the name of the Town, but will be used for library purposes and shall be managed and controlled by the Library Trustees; and, further, to authorize the Library Trustees to withdraw and expend all of said appropriated funds from available monies in unrestricted Library Funds; and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into any and all necessary agreements and execute any documents to facilitate this purchase, with the understanding that none of said amount shall be raised by general taxation. **(Passage of this appropriation will not impact the tax rate.)**

Board of Selectmen voted 4-1-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 12-1-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town, pursuant to RSA 149-M, will authorize the Selectmen to enter into an intermunicipal agreement for the purpose of arranging for the disposal of the Town's recyclable solid waste, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B: 2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's General Fund unreserved fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Parks & Recreation Commission (no further town meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreational purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 16

To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our Hands and Seal this 24th day of January 2009.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Nicholas Campasano, Chairman
Scott Gross, Vice Chairman
Philip A. D'Avanza
Vivian Blondeau
John A. Caprio

Then personally appeared the above named, Nicholas Campasano, Scott Gross, Vivian Blondeau, John A. Caprio, Philip A. D'Avanza, and under oath that the above certificate by them is true.
Cathleen Ball, Town Clerk

TOWN BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING
SATURDAY, FEB. 2, 2008

Moderator Rodney Stark called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. There were 102 people in attendance out of 11,835 registered voters. GTV recorded the meeting for future broadcast.

Eleanor Porritt, Dave Pierce, Lionel Coulon and Peter Jenkins were sworn in as vote counters by Town Clerk Donna Bergeron.

Goffstown Police Explorers Jessica Yianakopolos, Sandra Dakalovic and Tyler Blondeau presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The moderator introduced the people at the head tables.

To his left, Selectmen John Caprio, Nick Campasano, Scott Gross, Phil D'Avanza and Vivian Blondeau; Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux, Finance Director Janice O'Connell. To his right, Assistant Moderator Fred Plett, Town Scribe Marie Boyle and Town Clerk Donna Bergeron.

He also introduced the state representatives who were present in the audience.

Moderator introduced Parks and Recreation Director David French for his annual presentation of the Clint Robinson/Lionel Cullerot Volunteer Award.

Mr. French thanked the many great volunteers who participate in recreation programs throughout the town. He explained that Mr. Robinson and Mr. Cullerot served as volunteers to the community for a total of over forty years. Mr. Cullerot came to the front of the hall, also Bob Draper who is the chairman of the Goffstown Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mr. French said there were several candidates for the award, and he called upon candidates Tony Shaw, Mike York and Jim Lange to join him at the podium. He then announced that this year's winner of the Robinson/Cullerot Volunteer Award was a husband and wife team, Steve and Tracy Bond.

The Bonds thanked Mr. French and the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission for the honor; and Steve Bond said his wife, Tracy, is the one who encourages them to participate.

The moderator made his opening statement. He explained that in 1996 the Town of Goffstown adopted what was then known as Senate Bill 2, which is now known as the Standardized Official Ballot Referendum System.

He laid out the rules and regulations under which this meeting will operate. He explained that we will not be voting today to pass or defeat any article; they will be voted upon at the second half of this meeting which

will take place on Tuesday, March 11 at Goffstown High School and the Bartlett School between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

At today's meeting, articles 11 through 27 of the warrant will be open to discussion, debate and amendment. If an amendment is adopted by this meeting, the article will appear on the ballot `as amended,' at the voting on March 11.

With respect to amendments, the purpose of the warrant is to bring the articles before the voters. Amending appropriation articles up or down is permitted.

Substantive amendments not relating to the article's subject matter will not be accepted and will be ruled out of order by the moderator.

All amendments must be presented to the moderator in writing. Articles must be moved to the floor and seconded before amending. Following a vote on the amendment, there will be discussion of the main article, but there will be no vote on the article.

The previous question is not debatable -- a yes vote means there can be no further discussion on the subject. A simple majority vote can end the debate.

A request for a standing vote or a secret ballot must be in writing, accompanied by the signatures of five registered voters.

Reconsideration can only be requested by someone voting on the prevailing side. Are there any questions about those procedures? (There were none).

Moderator recognized Hank Boyle who moved to waive the reading of the warrant. Motion was seconded by Bill Hart - Motion passed by a voice vote.

Moderator said we would commence with Article 11. He read the article -

ARTICLE 11 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) for the purpose of acquiring, subdividing, developing land for municipal purposes including, but not limited to, recreational fields, and to acquire conservation easements. To authorize the purchase of a 27+ acre portion of Map 5, Lot 39 (70 Center Street) for the sum of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000). The current property owners (Barnards) will retain ownership of the house and 2.6 acres. To authorize expending up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand ($250,000) for conservation easements.

Furthermore, to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; and to authorize municipal officials to seek grants to offset the amount to be bonded. (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Selectman Gross moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Selectman Caprio.

Moderator recognized Sel. Gross, who moved to amend the appropriation in this article from two million dollars ($2,000,000) to one and one-half million dollars ($1,500,000) - motion was seconded by Sel. Caprio.

Sel. Gross explained that the board of selectmen is looking at the long-term needs of the Town of Goffstown and have been planning for the future. He said there's a shortage of municipal land.

This amendment has been made to reduce the amount of the bond.

The reason for the reduction is that over the last 1 ½ years the selectmen have been negotiating with the Barnards. They've also been negotiating with another party, but as yet they have no purchase and sales agreement on the second piece of property.

This article calls for the purchase of 27+ or - acres, located on Center Street. The property abuts the transfer station and the gravel pit.

We have a ball field on Route 114 - Cemetery Field -- that's now being used for practices, but that will not be available in four or five more years. The Cemetery Trustees are planning on the expansion of West Lawn Cemetery in the near future.

There are also the Villa ball fields - the Board of Selectmen is not sure whether or not those fields will remain available to the community, as there hasn't been any written guarantee to the board.

And we need to think about our future municipal needs. It's not just about recreational fields; we might need more land for another school, for the town offices or for a fire station.

Also included in this article is $250,000 for conservation easements. We want to continue with the efforts of the Conservation Commission.

There's also the development of this property, and we've committed $550,000 for that. We hope that the community will support this.

Collis Adams spoke next. He asked for the difference in the tax impact between 2 million and 1.5 million dollars.

S. Gross said there will not be any tax impact this year; that will come next year. He said the selectmen have received bonding information from the New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank.

On a two million dollar principal with a 15-year bond, for the first year of 2009 the impact will be $242,777. That same 15-year bond on 1.5 million dollars will be $180,833. So it's about a $62,000 difference.

We tried to negotiate two pieces of property, but unfortunately we couldn't do the second one in time.

Rick Swagger - What is the impact to the taxpayer? How much will I be paying?

S. Gross - The land is now in current use so the impact will be very minor.

Bob Draper, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission - The commission has been worried for several years about our ball fields. We don't have control over three of them - the Villa fields and the Lions Club field. The

Lions have been wonderful to us.

And then there's also Cemetery field - the trustees have allowed us to use the land, but it's come to the point where they will be needing to use it soon themselves. The town is growing.

We could possibly lose the Villa fields - and certainly the Cemetery Field. I would like to thank the Villa, the Cemetery Trustees and the Lions Club for the use of their fields.

I speak in favor of this article and hope you will look at this favorably, so the town will have some places for our kids to play. I think the Police Department will support this.

We need places for kids to have activities. This is an investment in the town's fixture. I'd like to speak in favor of supporting this article.

S. Gross - This is a part of the master plan of 1995, that recently went through a review. The plan calls for parks and recreational fields and open space areas in the Grasmere section of town.

In the lobby there are some conceptual drawings of this land and what it can be used for. I think this is a win-win situation.

H. Boyle - My question is about the $250,000. Is that going to the Conservation Commission or will it be managed by the Board of Selectmen? Who will control the money?

S. Gross - The way it's worded, it's specifically for conservation easements.

Kimberly Peace, Conservation Commission chairman - The Conservation Commission is in favor of this article.

We are not coming to you for a separate article this year. The Board of Selectmen is working with us on this - we're all working very hard on this.

Mark Campbell - I live here. I have three children and I think that this will bring more money into our community. Sports activities do that.

This will have an economic impact on the community - and it will be great to have these things for the children.

Larry Emerton - I'm the chairman of the Lions Club field.

The high school uses our field for five different sports. Tri-Town Soccer uses it for 600 kids from five different towns. The Lions Club Field is worth well over a million dollars.

We've been putting a tremendous amount of improvements in there. I think this article should be considered in a favorable manner.

C. Adams - I believe that what is being considered now is the amendment,

The question was, what's the difference to the average taxpayer? We get our tax bills every six months - how much will they increase?

I agree that this is important for long-range planning for our community, but if we reduce the bond, it doesn't provide the money up front for other opportunities for community planning.

I would vote for $2,000,000 and would urge people to defeat this amendment. I think it's important for us to look as far into the future as we can, I would support the $2,000,000 so we can go forward and negotiate with property owners on other pieces of property. I personally would not support the amendment. I still haven't heard the tax increase question answered.

S. Gross - On a $2,000,000 bond, the estimated tax increase in 2009 will be nineteen cents; on the $1,500,000 bond it will be fourteen cents. And it's about forty-five cents in subsequent years.

Historically, the community wants to know what exact piece of property you're buying and we thought with a 60% vote required, it will be too risky to just say "some land." People want to know where we're bonding for something or where we're paying for something.

Another thing, even if we had the extra $500,000 and we were able to negotiate a deal with the landowner, the process requires two public hearings, and if 25% of the citizens oppose it, it would go on the ballot anyway.

Mark Campbell - Are we better off to use that $500,000 for development? There are six or seven fields out there now. Is that a realistic number to develop those fields?

S. Gross - I've had conversations with Dave French and he has talked to people in town about the cost of developing those fields. We will have the benefit of having the materials onsite on one of the sites.

The other thing - I've had conversations with some of you in this room. The best things that we've done in this town have not always been directly with taxpayer dollars. We will be going to the different clubs like the Rotary and Lions and Optimists and sports groups and asking for volunteers. We think that a large part of the work will come from donations and sweat equity. We have a proud tradition of this in Goffstown.

Tim Redmond - When the Conservation commission proposed this bond to CIP, we thought it was a great idea. Must this be used within a five-year time period?

S. Gross - No. The intent is to purchase the land and develop it. The Conservation Commission is involved in negotiations now for conservation easements.

T. Redmond - So the money will be expended within the five years? (Answer was yes).

John Hikel - We've heard about the fields - can you give us an idea about the plans for things that aren't limited to recreational fields?

S. Gross - Our thought process was for recreational fields, conservation easements and future municipal needs.

The municipal purposes - we'll have to get the community involved. This land abuts the transfer station. We've had conversations with Carl Quiram about that. I think this will be a great asset for the town.

People could go there for a summer concert - you could walk on the trails.

We don't know what will be happening in the community - we think there might be a need for a fire station - a police sub-station - whatever. We don't know what will be needed in the future years, but we do think this is a good price.

Cathy Whooten - What are the interest rates on this and where would that bonding come from?

S. Gross - It's from the New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank and the interest rate is 4.99% on a fifteen-year bond. The date was 1/31/08. Do you think you can get us a better rate?

C. Whooten - I do think that the rates have gone down.

S. Gross - I think they've gone down too, but I can't guarantee that.

C. Whooten - I agree with Collis Adams - if we can get money at lower rates now this is probably the lowest we can get right now. If we can get an additional $500,000 at 4.99%, I think that's a very good rate and I would support the $2,000,000, rather than the $1,500,000.

S. Gross - The board of selectmen has just made a recommendation you have a say in this amendment.

We will do whatever you want us to do.

Jason Sachs - I just want to agree with Cathy. My understanding of the bonding authority is it gives the selectmen the authority to bond - but if you have an expenditure on a particular property you have the authority to spend.

J. Caprio - The answer is, the bonding authority - you take the bond for what you need at the time.

There are administrative costs attached to taking out a bond. So if you take multiple bonds we have to be careful about that. We have to be as careful as we can and keep the administrative costs as low as we can.

Steve Bond - My question is, if we reduce this bond by $500,000, if the Villa property comes up for sale, would we have the money to get it?

S. Gross - No. The only way we could potentially have it is to get other money. It would go on the ballot next year.

C. Adams - I want to bring up some issues - we're talking about five cents- it's fifteen dollars a year on a $300,000 home. This is not your father's town, it's our town. If we want to plan for the future, we need to be thinking of the future.

This community has been developed piecemeal. Maybe the projects should have been considered together at one time. I think if we appropriate the $2,000,000, it would allow us to have the funds for future development.

I think if we don't pursue the opportunity to negotiate for other properties I know of one property that will lend itself much more nicely to recreational fields.

This would be allowing us to look for property for municipal needs. I think we need to be looking forward.

I don't think the average voter will turn this down if it's 1.5 rather than 2 million dollars. I would vote against the amendment -- let's do the right thing and look forward.

Moderator Stark read the amendment -

"To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500,000 for the purpose of acquiring, subdividing, developing land for municipal purposes including but not limited to recreational fields and to acquire conservation easements. To authorize the purchase of a 27± acre portion of Map 5, Lot 39 (70 Center Street) for the sum of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000). The current property owners (Barnards) will retain ownership of the house and 2.6 acres. To authorize

spending up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand ($250,000) for conservation easements.

Furthermore to authorize the issuance of not more than One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; and to authorize municipal officials to seek grants to offset the amount to be bonded. (60% Ballot Vote to pass)."

Moderator called for a vote on the amendment - amendment failed by a voice vote.

Moderator - Back to the main article - any further discussion?

S. Gross - $700,000 is earmarked for this piece of property (the Barnards'). We're now negotiating with another landowner and we'll have to go through two public hearings.

Moderator - Article 12 is next - read the article.

ARTICLE 12 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars ($2,537,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing and installing a water distribution system which is more particularly described in an overall project plan dated October 18, 2006, which is intended to bring a water distribution system to the Lynchville and Danis Park areas, said improvements to be installed at the direction of and in accordance with the established requirements of the Town of Goffstown. This appropriation does not impact the town's tax rate.

And to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Dollars ($2,537,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; and to authorize municipal officials to seek grants to offset the amount to be bonded.

Without impairing in any way the fact that the bonds will be general obligations of the Town, it is the intent to repay this bond issuance by charging an Accessibility Fee to each property benefiting from this water distribution system. This project is contingent on effectuating an acceptable Inter-Municipal Agreement with Manchester Water Works and a successful expansion of Manchester Water Works franchise area. This appropriation does not impact the town's tax rate. (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Selectman D'Avanza moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Campasano.

P. D'Avanza - This article seeks the authority to expend $2,537,000 to bring municipal water from Manchester Water Works to approximately 235 property owners in the Lynchville and Danis Park areas. It authorizes bonding the amount of $2,537,000, the bond is to be repaid by the property owners who benefit from this water system expansion. They can pay a one-time fee or finance for the term of the bond. Those who choose to finance with the Town will have a lien in that amount placed on their property until the amount is paid in full.

We will not seek the bonding until several conditions have been met including acceptance of an inter-municipal agreement with the Manchester Water Works and a successful expansion of the water works' franchise area.

The selectmen supported this article unanimously and the budget committee supported it by a vote of 10-0-1.

Moderator - Are there any questions?

Dan Cloutier - There's no impact to the tax rate. The question is, does the assessed value of the property go up with municipal water? (Answer was yes).

If it does, my tax rate should go down because I'm on the other side of the river.

Moderator read Article 13 -

ARTICLE 13 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Eighteen Million, Six Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars ($18,653,734).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand, Three Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars ($7,515,366).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Five Hundred Three Dollars ($1,651,503) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Three Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars ($363,290 is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Eighteen Million, Six Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars ($18,653,734)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eighteen Million Three Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Nine Dollars ($18,327,209), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law, or the

governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. Upon passage of this article and passage of Article 14, there will be a reduction of Thirty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars ($37,640) to this article in the Fire Department Operating Budget.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Sel. Caprio moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Selectman Blondeau.

J. Caprio - This budget is for the continuing operations of the Town departments and for debt service and it has been agreed upon by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

The parts of the Sewer and the EMS are funded by their funds. The budget total without those funds amounts to $16,638,936. This is an increase of 12.4% over last year's approved operating budget.

About 75% of that increase is simply due to the shift of the road program from a special article to the operating budget, which was approved at last year's town meeting; a 3% COLA rise; utility costs; fuel costs; the cost of additional elections over last year's one to five this year and increases in insurances.

I would like to emphasize one point - the Board of Selectmen was very stringent and discussed a different approach this year than boards have used in the past.

We started with the default budget and added to that budget after scrutinizing the various departments' recommendations. As a result of this new approach, our recommendation to the budget committee was just $361,000 over the default budget. The budget committee cut our recommendation by only $70,000.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee are in agreement with the final budget of $18,653,734.

Based on our best projection of revenues at this time, the property tax rate is anticipated to be $9.16. Keep in mind that 2008 was a reval year and the town anticipates a 15% increase. How it impacts individual properties will be determined by the value of those properties in 2008.

We request that you support this operating budget.

Bill Gordon - The question marks about halfway down - is that a typo?

J. Caprio - That's a statutory requirement.

Len Stuart - How much increase, specifically given the real estate market? If it doesn't meet 15% because of the continuing fall of the real estate market, how much will this affect the bottom line?

J. Caprio - The numbers I've given you are based on a 15% increase in valuation.

Moderator - Any further discussion? (There was none). On to Article 14 - moderator read article.

ARTICLE 14 - To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Goffstown Board of Selectmen and Local 3420 of the International

Association of Firefighters representing the employees in the bargaining unit of the fire department.

Year	Estimated Increase
2008	$73,078
2009	$71,651
2010	$42,832

And to raise and appropriate Seventy-Three Thousand Seventy-Eight Dollars ($73,078) for 2008, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation in current staffing levels paid in 2007. Upon passage of this article and passage of Article 13, there will be a reduction of Thirty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars ($37,640) to Article 13 in the Fire Department Operating Budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13).

Moderator recognized Scott Gross who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by N. Campasano.

S. Gross - As many of you are aware, we've worked on this agreement through December. This is for full-time coverage of seven days a week, 12 hours a day. Weekends and holidays will now be covered by the contract, resulting in a reduction of $37,640 in the budget.

This was unanimously supported by the Board of Selectmen, and was supported by the Budget Committee by a 10-0-1 vote.

Moderator - Are there any questions? (There were none).

Next is Article 15. Moderator read article:

ARTICLE 15 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $72,274 for the purpose of hiring two (2) additional Firefighter/EMTs, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to contract for, accept and expend Federal Homeland Security - Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (S.A.F.E.R.) grant in the amount of $34,324 to be applied against said appropriation. The SAFER grant obligation period is five years, and the cost estimates for the years 2 through 5 are as follows:

Year	Gross Appropriations	Town Share	SAFER Grant
2	$131,768	$60,088	$71,680
3	$142,185	$87,375	$54,810
4	$148,870	$115,125	$33,745
5	$153,325	$140,660	$12,665

When and if the Town receives the contemplated grant, the Town will be obliged by the terms of the grant and failure to adhere to terms of the grant could result in returning the grant funding to the federal government. If this article passes, then the Town will include the costs of these two additional positions in future operating and default budgets. If this article fails, it is expressly intended not to impair the traditional authority of the Selectmen

to control staffing levels of fire personnel within the limits of the operating budget appropriation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation for a period of two years (RSA 32:7). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Moderator recognized Selectman Gross who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Selectman Blondeau.

S. Gross - Additional staffing for the fire department has been discussed over the past two or three years.

The Board of Selectmen contracted with the Local Government Center to assist us in this. One of their recommendations was the use of the SAFER grant.

We have been trying to pursue more and more grants. This is another approach where the SAFER grant will help us.

One thing I should state however as you vote, if this allows us to apply for and if we accept the grant, we still retain the authority to maintain our staffing levels.

We believe that with this contract - which we hope the community will support - this will give us six persons per shift to allow us to respond to multiple incidents at the same time.

The Board of Selectmen supported this unanimously and the Budget Committee recommended it by a vote of 6 - 4 – 1.

Moderator- Any more discussion? Seeing none, we'll go on to the next article. Moderator read the article.

ARTICLE 16 - To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase of Fire Apparatus, raise and appropriate Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars ($420,000) to be placed in this fund, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13).

Moderator recognized Selectman Campasano who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Caprio.

N. Campasano - During this past year, the CIP Committee worked at deciding how to pay for upcoming large pieces of fire apparatus, and decided it would be prudent to start fielding now for the future purchase of fire equipment, which is very expensive. They decided to establish a capital reserve fund with the Selectmen as the agents to expend from the fund.

The Board of Selectmen unanimously supported this article and the Budget Committee voted 10-1-0 to support it.

Moderator – Any more discussion? Any questions? Seeing none, we'll continue with the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 17 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars ($185,000) from the Emergency Medical Services Revenue Fund for the purpose of purchasing a replacement ambulance. <u>This appropriation has no tax impact.</u> (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Moderator recognized Selectman Vivian Blondeau who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Campasano.

V. Blondeau - Article 17 has no tax impact. The ambulance service has created enough revenue in fees to pay for this new ambulance.

Our ambulances are used not just for their mileage and age, but for the time to keep the ambulances idling and to keep the equipment that's inside them working. As they're used longer, more costly repairs will be needed in the future.

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to support this; the Budget Committee voted 10-0-1. We ask for your support.

Moderator - Are there any questions? (There were none). Then let's go on to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 18 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Moderator recognizes Sel. D'Avanza who moves the article to the floor; motion; was seconded by Sel. Caprio.

Sel. D'Avanza - The town has supported the Main Street Program at this same amount over the past nine years. Main Street provides support, advice and promotion to current and potential business owners and residents of the designated Main Street area using Main Street's 4-point approach.

The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee voted unanimously to support this article.

Moderator- Any more discussion? (There was none). Then on with the next article. He read the article.

ARTICLE 19 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand, One Hundred Fifty Dollars (52,150) for the purpose of supporting the Greater Manchester Red Cross. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Moderator recognized Selectmen Caprio who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. D'Avanza.

J. Caprio - Normally the Selectmen don't place these types of articles on the warrant, because the feeling is that the citizens should decide on their own what charities to support.

But this year the Selectmen decided to make an exception because the Town was hit in May 2006 and in April 2007 with terrible rains and floods that impacted the entire town. Some people lost personal property and some even lost their houses.

The Red Cross opened a shelter at the Bartlett School during the May 2006 flood, assisted by our CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and again in April 2007.

The Red Cross also provides shelter after a house fire, and clothing and emergency funds. This amount will have the tax impact of less than one cent.

The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee voted to support this article.

Moderator - Any questions? (There were none). Then let's go on to the next article. Read the article

ARTICLE 20 - To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen and the Historic District Commission as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2005.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Moderator recognized Sel. Gross who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. D'Avanza.

S. Gross - In the last couple of years we've placed an article about the Grasmere Town Hall on the warrant, and unfortunately the voters have refused that.

We have $100,000 in the fund that we cannot get access to. The Historic District

Commission cannot access the funds to apply for matching grants.

Both parties will be used in a joint signature sort of thing. This will allow us to gain access to the existing fiends to use as funds for matching grants for the restoration of Grasmere Town Hall.

The Board voted unanimously to support this article.

Moderator - Any further discussion? (There was none). Then we'll go to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 21 - To see if the town will vote to require the numerical tally of all votes of the Budget Committee and the Selectmen be printed next to each appropriation article on the Annual Warrant in accordance with RSA 32:5 V-a and RSA 40:13 V-a.

Moderator recognized Sel.Campasano who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Gross.

N. Campasano - Senate Bill 58 recently amended RSA 32:5 and RSA 40:13 to authorize the legislative body to print the tally of the Selectmen and Budget Committee on the appropriation articles on the warrant and the ballot.

Today you heard that the Budget Committee voted 5-4-1 or 10-0-1 or whatever - those numerical details will be shown on the ballot.

Moderator - Any questions? (There were none) Then on to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 22 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to determine the location of the election polls due to special circumstances.

Moderator recognized Selectman Blondeau who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Caprio.

Vivian Blondeau - This article is important because there's always a chance we might have to change polling places,

If something should happen to the school or something, such as the special election to be held on Feb. 5, that election will be held in the hallway because school will be in session on that day.

This allows the Selectmen with enough time, to move the polling place.

We have Grasmere Town Hall, churches and church halls and the citizens would be given plenty of time to adjust to the change.

Moderator - Are there any questions or further discussion? (There were none). Then we'll proceed to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 23 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Town Treasurer in accordance with RSA 41:26-E.

Moderator recognized Sel. Caprio who moved the article to the floor; motion was seconded by Sel. Campasano.

J. Caprio - This article would move the office of Treasurer from elected to appointed.

It will give the Treasurer the authority to delegate certain duties to others. This is not a reflection on our present Treasurer; she has the necessary skills to do her job and she does an outstanding job. But that may not always be the case.

With this change we can recruit and select future Treasurers based on their abilities to perform their statutory duties. If this article passes, the Treasurer will be appointed immediately following the 2009 town meeting.

We ask for your support.

Moderator - Any more discussion? (There was none) Then we'll have to go on to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 24 - To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to pass an ordinance that states that water is a part of the commons and essential for life and the People of the Town of Goffstown have the duty to safeguard the water both on and beneath the earth's surface and to hold it in public trust as a common resource for the benefit of Goffstown residents and the natural ecosystem and further that any large water withdrawal must be approved by a majority vote of the legislative body of the town (i.e., the voters) at an annual or special meeting, before it shall become effective? Large water withdrawal shall be defined as stated in RSA 485 C2 IX-a, and shall apply to both ground and surface water withdrawal.

Submitted by petition.

Moderator - This article was submitted by petition - is there a motion?

It was moved by Jane Doherty and seconded by Linda Leibig to move this article to the floor.

Jane Doherty Across the state, towns have lost a lot of their water resources. This is our hope that this won't happen to us. This is our water supply and our water resources.

Companies can come in here and draw water from the ground, but if this article passes, you will have to vote to allow them to do that, so at least you will have a chance to stop them.

In one town this didn't work because it wasn't worded strongly enough to

protect the town.

Dan Cloutier - Can somebody tell me what that RSA is about?

Linda Leibig - I believe the amount of 57,000+and 300,000 gallons per day. It was reached - and don't quote me on this - on necessary equipment and how much the equipment can withdraw.

D. Cloutier - Everything after "and further that" is what we're looking at. The important part is the second part. Is there any reason why the second part was put in there?

L. Lebig- Yes, the second part is the important part.

D. Cloutier - The words in the first part must appear?

J. Caprio - This is not a Home Rule state, and many of the powers that towns have are derived from the state.

At the present time we do not have the authority to enact such an ordinance. There's legislation that's being considered by the state, and if it passes, it's likely the town would have the authority to pass such an ordinance.

Mark Campbell - If this passes, you could make an ordinance unless the state passes something else?

J. Caprio - We can pass ordinances, but we cannot have the authority to enforce them.

M. Campbell - If this passes, will we at least have a fighting chance?

J. Caprio - It would have to be taken into court.

M. Campbell - They're trying to take water from somewhere else and it's costing taxpayers a lot of money and they had a tremendous battle. I think it would be in our best interest to pass this.

Richard Fletcher - I'm a water commissioner. I agree with this a hundred percent, but there's a problem with the way it reads right now if we bring up 57,000 or whatever gallons per day.

Somebody saw it within themselves to introduce legislation to exempt municipal water systems, but that legislation hasn't passed as yet.

Neal Kurk is the individual who introduced it. It would exempt the Village Water Precinct from drilling wells.

So as long as the legislation passes, this article is a good thing but if it doesn't pass, it leaves us behind the 8-ball if we want to withdraw larger quantities. This will protect the water in the ground in Goffstown.

C. Adams - I think it's appropriate for us to consider this at this time.

The sponsors said this is legislated by state law. I think this is significant support for the legislation that Rep. Kurk has introduced, and I think this would allow us to move quickly if the legislation passes.

It's unbelievable the effect that can be forced upon the people where these water companies are withdrawing water from their towns.

Kimberly Peace - I support this article. If the town needs to drill more wells, I think the people would support that. I think this is a step forward for the town.

D. Cloutier - This is moot. Are you willing to pass this ordinance if this is moot? Is there anything to stop the Selectmen from creating an ordinance without the voters telling them to?

Elizabeth Dubrulle - This is the first that I've heard about this water issue and

if a company is thinking of moving to Goffstown, at least this would give them an idea of how the town feels about it.

Moderator – Any more discussion? (There was none) Then let's go on to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 25 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of Goffstown, NH, believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

Submitted by petition

Rev. Bill Exner moved the article to the floor, motion was seconded by Jane Doherty.

B. Exner - This article asks for help with local property taxes. New Hampshire relies on the property tax for 61% of its revenue; the closest to that is New Jersey.

The time for this open discussion is now and actually, it's overdue. All this asks for is an open discussion on the possible revenue streams to help lower the burden of the property tax. Thank you.

State Representative Larry Emerton - I serve on the House Finance Committee. The three things we argue most about are sales tax, income tax and gambling.

We are not a petitioned state - we cannot just vote on petitions in this state. When you get one of these petitions, there are always people who want both sides.

With 434 representatives in the House, it's very difficult to get so many people to agree.

B. Exner- I appreciate all that our state representatives do. All we're asking for here is that the legislators just look at the other options. There are many other ways to raise revenue and that's all this is asking for.

Ivan Beliveau - I support this article. I have a 20-year pension. I've lived in Goffstown for decades, and my property taxes have more than doubled. Today with my pension right now, it pays my property taxes. In another decade, if it doubles again, I'll be in trouble. I'm on a fixed income and I suspect that there are many people in the same position. That's why I support this article.

Len Stuart - I don't think we should be ruling out discussions. We don't have a town meeting for negotiations - and I think, as Rev, Exner outlined, we're only asking for a meaningful discussion with all options on the table. We don't want to become Taxachusetts.

J. Caprio - History shows that another revenue stream doesn't decrease other taxes. The article doesn't say just an open discussion - it adds, 'and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.'

I can see the open discussion, but unfortunately the article doesn't just say that. Is this the backdoor to an income tax?

B. Exner - I think we can all support this - there's no other agenda. This is only asking for an open discussion. The interesting thing is that last year some voters in New Hampshire tried this out in other towns. Right now, 110 towns have this on their warrants, This is not a back door to an income tax or a sales tax. I would like to keep this conversation on an even level.

H. Boyle - But that last sentence says, `and adopt.' I agree with John that an income tax or a sales tax will not make any difference in the property tax.

Michael York - This doesn't mean anything. I don't think that Rev. Exner intends this as another tax. It rejects the `pledge' and you can vote for him or her or not, if they take it.

B. Exner - The second part of that is simply to focus on the view that now there's only one way to do it. If the pledge is an issue, I would like to help with that. But the real issue is the open discussion - that's the real issue.

Martha Fournier - Can I make an amendment to a petitioned article?

Moderator - Yes - (handed her an amendment form).

M. Fournier -- This would replace what we have here -

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, State Senator and Governor. Resolved: We as citizens of Goffstown, NH, call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to have an open discussion covering all revenue options.

I move this article to the floor; motion was seconded by Bill Hart

M. Fournier - I feel uncomfortable saying that the property tax is unfair. I think people should be allowed to take the pledge if they want to, but I think they should search for all revenue streams that they can find to help with our property taxes.

Bill Exner I agree with you and I support that amendment wholeheartedly. Thank you.

State Representative Larry Emerton - Can we have some discussion? Where can we discuss this? Where? How? When? How long? Tell us what you want us to do. We discuss these things all day long,

M. Fournier - I think the intent would be that this would be an ongoing talk during our legislative discussions.

John Hikel moved the previous question - motion was seconded by J. Caprio.

Moderator - Are you in favor of ending this debate? (Motion passed overwhelmingly).

All those in favor of the amendment? (The amendment passed by a voice vote)

Moderator - Next article - read the article.

ARTICLE 26 - To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Moderator - Seeing none, on to the next article. Read the article.

ARTICLE 27 - To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Moderator There is none.

Moderator to the Town Clerk - Articles 11 through 24 as published in the warrant will appear on the ballot as printed, and Article 25 will be printed as amended.

Dan Cloutier moved to adjourn the meeting; motion was seconded by Bill Hart. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
MARIE BOYLE,
Town Scribe

Submitted 2/11/08

Town of Goffstown
Presidential Primary Election Results
January 8, 2008

Candidate of the Democratic Party for President of the United States

"Joe" Biden	6
Richard Edward Caligiuri	6
Kenneth A. Capalbo	0
Hillary Clinton	1352
"Randy" Crow	0
"Chris" Dodd	0
John Edwards	542
Mike Gravel	10
Henry Hewes	0
William C. Hughes	0
D. R. Hunter	2
William "Bill" Keefe	1
Caroline P. Killeen	0
"Tim" Koos	0
Dennis J. Kucinich	26
Dal LaMagna	0
"Tom" Laughlin	0
Barack Obama	1144
"Bill" Richardson	204
O Savior	1
Michael Skok	1

Candidate of the Republican Party for President of the United States

Hugh Cort	1
John Cox	1
H. Neal Fendig Jr.	0
Daniel Gilbert	0
Rudolph W. Giuliani	308
Albert Howard	1
"Mike" Huckabee	417
Duncan Hunter	19
Alan Keyes	2
Mark Klein	0
Stephen W. Marchuk	0
John McCain	1212
James Creighton Mitchell, Jr.	0
Cornelius Edward O'Connor	0
"Ron" Paul	260
Mitt Romney	1258
Jack Shepard	0
Vermin Supreme	0
Thomas G. Tancredo	2
Fred Thompson	30
"Vern" Wuensche	0

Vice President of the United States

William Bryk	281
Raymond Stebbins	685

Vice President of the United States

John S. "Jack" Barnes Jr.	606

Town of Goffstown & Weare
Special State Representative
Primary Election Results
February 5, 2008

	Goffstown	Weare	Totals
Republican			
Gary Hopper	88	30	118
Write-Ins			
Stephen Brzozowski	2	1	3
Normand Lafond Sr.	1		1
Democrat			
Stephen Brzozowski	72	15	87
Joseph Hickey	14	17	31
Write-ins			
Gary Hopper	1		1

2008 Elections Statistical Report

Election Date	Date	Dist. 1	Dist. 5	Total	% Voters	# New Regis. Voters	Total # Reg. Voters
Presidential Primary	1/8/08	4861	2062	6923	57%	166	12,058
Town Ballot Determination Meeting	2/2/08	n/a	n/a	103	<1%	0	11,835
School Ballot Determination Meeting	2/4/08	n/a	n/a	49	<1%	0	11,835
Spec. State Rep	2/5/08	144	34	178	<2%	0	11,835
Town/School	3/11/08	1711	645	2356	20%	0	11,795
State Primary	9/9/08	1134	552	1686	14%	38	11,617
State General Election	11/4/08	6325	2805	9130	71%	1025	12,832

Official Town Election Results
March 11, 2008

ARTICLE 1
Election of Officers

SELECTMAN	1 for 3 Years
Philip D'Avanza	1786☑
BUDGET COMMITTEE	1 for 1 Year
Roxann Hunt	665
Theresa Walton	1148☑
BUDGET COMMITTEE	3 for 2 Years
Ivan Beliveau	1445☑
David Pierce	1523☑
Write-In: Judy Roberge	15☑
BUDGET COMMITTEE	4 for 3 Years
"Cathie" Donovan-Simard	1479☑
Christi Garrison	1464☑
William Hart	1441☑
John Hikel	1404☑
CEMETERY TRUSTEE	1 for 3 Years
Linda R. Naughton	1737☑
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	3 for 3 Years
Jennifer Foley	1540☑
Brenda L. Pfahnl	1443☑
Susan Plante	1632☑
PLANNING BOARD	2 for 3 Years
James Raymond	1706☑
Lowell VonRuden	1432☑
SEWER COMMISSION	1 for 3 Years
Stephen R. Crean	1780☑
SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST	1 for 6 Years
Denise Lemay	1137☑
Tricia Wynne	759
TOWN CLERK	1 for 3 Years
Cathleen "Cathy" Ball	869☑
Donna A. Bergeron	753
Karen LeClerc	557
TOWN MODERATOR	1 for 2 Years
Roxann Hunt	823
Rodney Stark	1148☑
TOWN TREASURER	1 for 3 Years
Jean Mayberry	1792☑
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	1 for 3 Years
Earl Carrel	1755☑
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	2 for 3 Years
Wayne Richardson	1508☑
Catherine Whooten	1555☑
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	1 for 1Years
Theresa Walton	1729

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add the following definitions to the Glossary:

Commercial Kennel – a use of property where any number of dogs are domiciled for a fee, or from which dogs are regularly sold as a business.

Seasonal Dwelling Unit – A dwelling unit not suitable for year round occupancy due to the presence of any on the following conditions: (1) water supply and/or waste water pipes, pumps or other associated facilities susceptible to freezing; (2) no central year round heating system; (3) NHDES restriction of septic system to less than year round use; (4) lot is too small to adequately support on-site water and/or waste water services; or (5) lot access is inadequate for appropriate fire and other emergency services. If uncertainty exists, the Building Inspector shall determine the seasonal or year round status of a dwelling unit.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1690 NO: 569**

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 3.6.1 to read:

3.6.1 Non-Residential Uses and Multi-Family Dwelling Units. Multiple principal uses may be established on a single lot for multiple non-residential uses and/or multifamily dwelling units as part of a mixed use project in accordance to Section 3.10, Table of Principal Uses, and the relevant Supplemental Standards.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1461 NO: 748**

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend section 3.10.B so that:

The principal use "Church and synagogue" is not an allowed use in the Industrial district, and would be allowed in the Commercial district by Conditional Use Permit, and the principal use "Kindergarten, elementary or secondary school" is not an allowed use in the Industrial district, and change name of use to "Church or other Place of Worship".

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1432 NO: 774**

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend section 3.10.D.3 so that:

The principal use "Nursing home and special care home" includes "Residential Care Home" and "Supported Residential Health Care Home".

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1828 NO: 396**

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 6.2, amending the last sentence so that it reads:

The requirements Section 8, Outdoor Lighting, and of the Building and Electrical Codes are also applicable to signs.

And amend Section 6.4.2, under prohibited signs, by adding the following sentence:

Signs, for which sign content is changed mechanically or electronically more frequently than once in 24 hours, are defined as moving or creating an illusion of movement.

And amend Section 6.13, temporary signs, so that it reads:

Banners and other temporary signs for commercial establishments, for a commercial event, or meant to be temporary until replaced by a permanent sign at some future date, are allowed by sign permit, with the following restrictions for any one business: (a) the total of all signs may not exceed 24 square feet, (b) signs shall be wall mounted, (c) signs may be permitted for no more than four occasions in any one calendar year, and (d) signs may not be in place for more than 10 days for any one occasion. The Planning Board may grant exceptions to the four occasions in any one calendar year restriction by Conditional Use Permit, with a finding of a unique situation resulting in a specific hardship and, at the same time, not imposing an unreasonable impact on a neighboring or nearby property.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1572 NO: 638**

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 8.4 by adding "approved public and private street and sidewalk lighting" as one of the listed exemptions.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1658 NO: 529**

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Insert a new Section, renumbering as required, between the existing Sections 11 and 12, to read:

Section 12 - STORM WATER

12.1 Intent - It is the intent of this section to regulate activity that alters the condition, direction or velocity of storm water in response to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with 40 CFR 122, and to insure the proper use of natural resources, and to promote the health and general welfare.

12.2 Specifications - Specifications for dealing with storm water in accordance with section 12.1 shall be adopted by the Goffstown Planning

Board as part of its Development Regulations, which specifications, at a minimum, shall be sufficient to implement NPDES standards.

12.3 Building Permit - No building permit that would result in activity altering the condition, direction or velocity of storm water shall be issued, except in conformance with Section 12.2.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1728 NO: 552**

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 12.3, Wetland Conservation District, replacing the Wetland Conservation District (WCD) with a Wetland and Surface Water Conservation District (WSWC District); retaining existing wetland setbacks, but adding wetland setback application to residential uses within the C, I, RSBO-2 or VC zoning districts, requiring a 100' buffer from surface waters as defined in USGS maps on all lots; decreasing the uses allowed within the buffer area and increasing the level of finding required for relief. The full text of Proposed Amendment #8 is available in the Town Clerk's Office and Planning Office.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1209 NO: 1076**

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 14.3.7.2 so that:

No request for ZBA action shall be placed on the agenda of any meeting unless received at least fifteen (15) days prior to that meeting.

Recommended by the Planning Board. **☑ YES: 1609 NO: 624**

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) for the purpose of acquiring, subdividing, developing land for municipal purposes including but not limited to recreational fields and to acquire conservation easements? To authorize the purchase of a 27± acre portion of Map 5 Lot 39 (70 Center St.) for the sum of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars ($700,000). The current property owners (Barnards) will retain ownership of the house and 2.6 acres. To authorize expending up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand ($250,000) for conservation easements.

Furthermore, to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; and to authorize municipal officials to seek grants to offset the amount to be bonded. (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

YES: 1317 ☑ NO: 1047

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars ($2,537,000) for the purpose of designing, constructing and installing a water distribution system which is more particularly described in an overall project plan dated October 18, 2006, which is intended to bring a water distribution system to the Lynchville and Danis Park areas, said improvements to be installed at the direction of and in accordance with the established requirements of the Town of Goffstown? **This appropriation does not impact the town's tax rate.**

And to authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Seven Dollars ($2,537,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town; and to authorize municipal officials to seek grants to offset the amount to be bonded.

Without impairing in any way the fact that the bonds will be general obligations of the Town, it is the intent to repay this bond issuance by charging an Accessibility Fee to each property benefiting from this water distribution system. This project is contingent on effectuating an acceptable Inter-Municipal Agreement with Manchester Water Works and a successful expansion of Manchester Water Works franchise area. **This appropriation does not impact the town's tax rate.** (60% Ballot Vote required to pass).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1555 NO: 787

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Eighteen Million Six Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Four Dollars ($18,653,734)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eighteen Million Three Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Nine Dollars ($18,327,209), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. Upon passage of this article and passage of Article 14, there will be a reduction of Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars ($37,640) to this article in the Fire Department Operating Budget.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1321 NO: 942

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Goffstown Board of Selectmen and Local 3420 of the International Association of Firefighters representing the employees in the bargaining unit from the Fire Department?

Year Estimated Increase
2008 $73,078
2009 $71,651
2010 $42,832

And to raise and appropriate Seventy Three Thousand Seventy Eight Dollars ($73,078) for 2008, such sum representing the additional cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in 2007? Upon passage of this article and passage of Article 13, there will be a reduction of Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars ($37,640) to Article 13 in the Fire Department Operating Budget. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1564 NO: 715

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $72,274 for the purpose of hiring two (2) additional Firefighter/EMT's and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to contract for, accept and expend Federal Homeland Security – Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (S.A.F.E.R.) Grant in the amount of $34,324 to be applied against said appropriation? The SAFER Grant obligation period is five years, and the cost estimates for the years 2 through 5 are as follows:

Year	Gross Appropriation	Town Share	SAFER Grant
2	$131,768	$60,088	$71,680
3	$142,185	$87,375	$54,810
4	$148,870	$115,125	$33,745
5	$153,325	$140,660	$12,665

When and if the Town receives the contemplated grant, the Town will be obliged by the terms of the grant and failure to adhere to terms of the grant could result in returning the grant funding to the federal government. If this article passes, then the town will include the costs of these two additional positions in future operating and default budgets. If this article fails, it is expressly intended not to impair the traditional authority of the Selectmen to control staffing levels of fire personnel within the limits of the operating budget appropriation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation for a period of two years (RSA 32:7). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1389 NO: 888

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Fire Apparatus; raise and appropriate Four Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollar ($420,000) to be placed in this fund; and appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1308 NO: 941

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars ($185,000) from the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of purchasing a replacement ambulance? This appropriation has no tax impact. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1787 NO: 507

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand dollars ($15,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1263 NO: 1012

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars ($2,150) for the purpose of supporting the Greater Manchester Red Cross? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 13.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

☑ YES: 1466 NO: 880

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town appoint the Selectmen and Historic District Commission as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2005?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

☑ YES: 1558 NO: 764

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town require the numerical tally of all votes of the Budget Committee and Selectmen be printed next to each appropriation article on the Annual Warrant in accordance with RSA 32:5 V-a and RSA 40:13 V-a?

☑ YES: 1735 NO: 494

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to determine the location of the election polls due to special circumstances?

☑ YES: 1740 NO: 546

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Town Treasurer in accordance with RSA 41:26-E?

☑ YES: 1245 NO: 969

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to pass an ordinance that states that water is a part of the commons and essential for life and that the People of the Town of Goffstown have the duty to safeguard the water both on and beneath the earth's surface and to hold it in public trust as a common resource for the benefit of Goffstown residents and the natural ecosystem and further that any large water withdrawal must be approved by a majority vote of the legislative body of the town (i.e. the Voters) at an annual or special meeting, before it shall become effective? Large water withdrawal shall be defined as stated in RSA 485 C2 IX-a and shall apply to both ground and surface water withdrawal.

Submitted by petition.

☑ YES: 1651 NO: 621

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town will authorize the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor?

Resolved: We as citizens of Goffstown, NH call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to have an open discussion covering all revenue options.

Submitted by petition.

☑ YES: 1484 NO: 756

Town of Goffstown
State Primary Election
Democratic Ballot Results
September 9, 2008

For Governor
Vote for not more than ONE:

"Katy" Kathryn Forry	39
John Lynch	509

For United States Senator
Vote for not more than ONE:

Jeanne Shaheen	445
Raymond Stebbins	87

For Representative in Congress
Vote for not more than ONE:

Carol Shea-Porter	491

For Executive Councilor
Vote for not more than ONE:

Debora B. Pignatelli	451

For State Senator
Vote for not more than ONE:

"Lou" D'Allesandro	493

For State Representatives
Vote for not more than EIGHT (8):

Katelyn M. Kerins	382
Becky K. McMennamin	362
George McMennamin	343
Derek Winsor	351
Stephen Brzozowski	394
Leigh M. Douglass	365
Benjamin H. Hampton	365
Write-In:	
Kevin Hodges	85

For Sheriff
Vote for not more than ONE:

Harold "Red" Wheeler	416

For County Attorney
Vote for not more than ONE:

For County Treasurer
Vote for not more than ONE:

Christopher C. Pappas	437

For Register of Deeds
Vote for not more than ONE:

Arthur J. Beaudry	121
Paula Pappas Borbotsina	123
Benjamin Clemons	62
Louise A. Wright	120

For Register of Probate
Vote for not more than ONE:

Graham V. Smith	424

For County Commissioner
Vote for not more than ONE:

Shannon Lee Bernier	423

Town of Goffstown
State Primary Election
Republican Ballot Results
September 9, 2008

For Governor
Vote for not more than ONE:

Joseph D. Kenney	697

For United States Senator
Vote for not more than ONE:

Tom Alciere	96
John E. Sununu	910

For Representative in Congress
Vote for not more than ONE:

Geoff Michael	28
John Stephen	562
Jeb Bradley	413
"Dave" Jarvis	9

For Executive Councilor
Vote for not more than ONE:

Stephen B. Stepanek	774

For State Senator
Vote for not more than ONE:

Jason Sakellar	733

For State Representatives
Vote for not more than EIGHT (8):

Neal M. Kurk	672
David Martin	594
Calvin D. Pratt	607
Russell Day	657
"Larry" Emerton	740
John Hikel	606
Randolph "Rip" Holden	688
Gary S. Hopper	645
James A. Hardy	792

For Sheriff
Vote for not more than ONE:

Marguerite Lefebvre Wageling	785

For County Attorney
Vote for not more than ONE:

"Bob" Burns	754

For County Treasurer
Vote for not more than ONE:

Annette Jacques	94
"Bill" Boyd	165
Pamela D. Coughlin	239
Christine George Infantine	326

For Register of Deeds
Vote for not more than ONE:

"Bob" Rivard	778

For Register of Probate
Vote for not more than ONE:

Carol H. Holden	376
Pamela V. Manney	525

For County Commissioner
Vote for not more than ONE:

Pamela V. Manney	625
Gossett C. McRae	425
Karen K. McRae	495
Claira P. Monier	578
"Fred" Plett	446
Louise Arlene Burns	371
Carol T. Day	384
Russell Day	420

For Delegates to the State Convention
Vote for not more than FIVE (5):

Town of Goffstown
General Election Results
November 4, 2008

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES	REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES	OTHER CANDIDATES
President and Vice-President of the United States:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	*Independent:*
Barack Obama	John McCain	Ralph Nader
"Joe" Biden	Sarah Pailn	"Matt" Gonzalez
4243	4707	31
		Libertarian:
		George Phillies
		Christopher Bennett
		4
		Libertarian:
		"Bob" Barr
		Wayne A. Root
		17
Governor:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	*Libertarian:*
John Lynch	Joseph D. Kenney	Susan M. Newell
6011	2691	121
United States Senator:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	*Libertarian:*
Jeanne Shaheen	John E. Sununu "Ken" Blevens	
3960	4704	239
Representative in Congress:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	*Libertarian:*
Carol Shea-Porter	Jeb Bradley	Robert Kingsbury
3987	4528	202
Executive Councilor:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	
Debora B. Pignatelli	Stephen B. Stepanek	
3685	4302	
State Senator:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	
"Lou" D'Allesandro	Jason Sakellar	
5008	3285	

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES	REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES	OTHER CANDIDATES
State Representatives:		
Democratic:	*Republican:*	*Libertarian:*
Katelyn M. Kerins 3250	Neal M. Kurk 3550	Lisa M. Wilber 1047
Becky K. McMennamin 2898	David Martin 3160	
George McMennamin 2420	Calvin D. Pratt 3235	
Derek Winsor 2545	Russell Day 3500	
Stephen Brzozowski 3102	"Larry" Emerton 3988	
Leigh M. Douglass 2692	John Hikel 3473	
Benjamin H. Hampton 2440	Randolph "Rip" Holden 4000	
Kevin Hodges 3434	Gary S. Hopper 3507	
Sheriff:		
Harold "Red" Wheeler 3427	James A. Hardy 4307	
County Attorney:		
Marguerite Lefebvre Wageling 7561	Marguerite Lefebvre Wageling	
County Treasurer:		
Christopher C. Pappas 3901	"Bob" Burns 3739	
Register of Deeds:		
Louise A. Wright 3269	Pamela D. Coughlin 4277	
Register of Probate:		
Graham V. Smith 3022	"Bob" Rivard 4614	
County Commissioner:		
Shannon Lee Bernier 3295	Carol H. Holden 4366	

2008 Births

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAMES	BIRTHPLACE
Jan. 8	Colby, Mya Michele	Colby, Joshua and Lindbloom, Jessica	Manchester, NH
16	Hollinrake, Luke Matthew	Hollinrake, Craig and Jennifer	Nashua, NH
Feb. 11	Champagne, Jacob Michael	Champagne, Stephen and Amanda	Nashua, NH
Mar. 12	Donnelly, Isabella Elise	Donnelly, Sean and Eaton, Nichole	Concord, NH
14	Bird, Emma Frances	Bird, John and Heather	Manchester, NH
15	Baines, Brooke Kaleigh	Baines, Michael and Julie	Concord, NH
18	Estabrook, Ethan Jacob	Estabrook ,Leeca	Concord, NH
27	Finke, Garrison Hugh	Finke, Timothy and Carrie	Manchester, NH
28	Beaudoin, Lillyanne Rose	Mims, Hansl and Beaudoin, Felicia	Nashua, NH
May 3	Colarusso, Dominic Michael	Colarusso, Thomas and Christy	Nashua, NH
8	Dusseault, Savannah Grace	Philibotte, Chase and Dusseault, Michelle	Manchester, NH
12	Rioux, Owen Ryan	Rioux, Peter and Jill	Nashua, NH
13	McIntyre, Ryan Davis	Campbell, Alan and Focareto, Kristina	Derry, NH
15	Pelletier, Madeline Claire	Pelletier, David and Jennifer	Manchester, NH
15	Baxter, Brent Michael	Baxter, Jonathan and Erica	Nashua, NH
20	Timmons, Matthew Connor	Timmons, Scott and Jessica	Nashua, NH
22	Royter, Ethan Andrew	Royter, Darrell and Stephanie	Manchester, NH
23	Mackenzie, Lillianna Sophia	Mackenzie, James and Angela	Manchester, NH
29	Morrison, Samuel Patrick	Morrison, Mark and Jessica	Concord, NH
30	Barber, Hannah Jane	Barber, Matthew and Tory	Derry, NH
31	Baker, Jael Lucille	Baker, Daniel and Hannah	Manchester, NH
Jun. 2	Hart, Katelyn Elizabeth	Hart, William and Ann	Manchester, NH
24	Dutton, Owen John	Dutton, Steven and Emily	Manchester, NH
26	Gaessler, Thomas James	Gaessler, John and Amanda	Manchester, NH
Jul. 14	D'Amelio, Marcus Dwight	D'Amelio, Kevin and Harden, Devon	Manchester, NH
19	Seward, Jessamine Eileen	Seward, Mathew and Ann	Lebanon, NH
19	Seward, Cassandra Abigail	Seward, Mathew and Ann	Lebanon, NH
22	Lanfair, Anthony Allen	Saulnier, Cynthia	Exeter, NH
23	Piccolo, Jadyn Elizabeth	Piccolo, Christopher and Laura	Manchester, NH
Aug. 1	Jordan, Alyssa Cherie	Jordan, Richard and Julie	Manchester, NH
9	McRae, Oliver James	McRae, James and Beth	Manchester, NH
12	Megowen, Olivia Grace	Megowen, Robert and Rachelle	Manchester, NH
21	Sereno, Owen Fischer	Sereno, Eric and Sarah	Manchester, NH
29	Gaudreau, Paul James	Gaudreau, Steven and Kathryn	Nashua, NH

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAMES	BIRTHPLACE
Sep. 4	Loranger, Travis James	Loranger, Mark and Leah	Manchester, NH
10	Norcross, Logan Chistopher	Norcross, Adam and Brewer, Melanie	Concord, NH
11	Hodgdon-Rogers, Vye Elizabeth	Hodgdon, Christine and Rogers, Amanda	Manchester, NH
19	Laroche, Kevin Andrew	Laroche, Stephen and Christin	Nashua, NH
25	Goodreau, Bryce Allen	Goodreau, Allen and Lisa	Manchester, NH
Oct. 9	Black, Brady Cameron	Black, Brian and Hollee	Concord, NH
14	Minnich, Oliver Thompson	Minnich, Charles and Margo	Manchester, NH
17	Garceau, Alexis Kate	Garceau, Kenneth and Wendy	Manchester, NH
17	Modesto, Landon James	Modesto, Leah	Exeter, NH
Nov. 15	Umstead, Joshua Leonard	Umstead, Steve and Adrienne	Manchester, NH
19	Lavoie, Sydney Andree	Lavoie, Eric and Allison	Manchester, NH
20	Lever, Liliana Vera	Lever, Justin and Nicole	Manchester, NH
Dec. 1	Tramontozzi, Anthony James	Tramontozzi, Anthony and Amanda	Derry, NH
5	Di Meo, Gwen Sarah	Di Meo, Mark and Baldwin-Di Meo, Caren	Manchester, NH
08	Ertle, Natalie Elizabeth	Ertle, Gregg and Sierra	Manchester, NH
12	Bouchard, Maya Jill	Bouchard, Brian and Elizabeth	Manchester, NH
15	Lyonnais, Cameron Jacob	Lyonnais, Justin and Nicole	Manchester, NH

TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS: 51

2008 Marriages

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jan. 14	Weeks, Todd A.	Goffstown, NH	Weare
	Lauzier, Sophia L.	Goffstown, NH	
26	Baechtold, Nathaniel E.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
	Ayer, Gabrielle-Augusta	Manchester, NH	
27	Leger, Christopher J.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
	Sangsongsri, Suphannika	Goffstown, NH	
Feb. 13	Hubbard, John T.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Patch, Jamie L.	Goffstown, NH	
25	Whalon, Justin T.	Peterborough, NH	Nashua
	Deveau, Tanya M.	Goffstown, NH	
29	Sadler, Mark J.	Goffstown,NH	Portsmouth
	Swan, Trudy L.	Goffstown, NH	
29	Pearl, Joshua L.	Loudon, NH	Bedford
	Campbell, Shaunna L.	Goffstown, NH	

DATE		NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Mar.	8	Walker, Michael W.	Goffstown, NH	Bradford
		Kratovich, Domenica	Goffstown, NH	
	14	Battistelli, Jason A.	Goffstown, NH	Hampton Falls
		Matras, Krystie	Goffstown, NH	
	15	McVeigh, Brendan F.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Lamb, Jennifer A.	Berlin, MA	
	29	Collins, Christopher W.	Goffstown, NH	New London
		Shapiro, Manya R.	Goffstown, NH	
Apr.	2	Emery, Brendan S.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Gagnon, Stacey M.	Goffstown, NH	
	4	Ertle, Gregg A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Kaehler, Sierra A.	Goffstown, NH	
	5	Smith, Patrick J.	Goffstown, NH	Londonderry
		Casciato, Kristin M.	Goffstown, NH	
	5	Moore, Michael J.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
		Carignan, Melissa A	Goffstown, NH	
	12	Crook, David L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Michaud, Eileen L.	Goffstown, NH	
	12	Gobin, Robert E.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
		Michaud, B G	Manchester, NH	
	12	Avery, Justin M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Dakin, Jacqueline A.	Goffstown, NH	
May	4	Turcotte, George W.	Goffstown, NH	New Boston
		Valade, Kimberley A.	Goffstown, NH	
	10	Sibulkin, Christopher O.	Goffstown, NH	Tilton
		Lehneman, Angelique F.	Goffstown, NH	
	12	Jackson, Ralph E.	Birmingham, AL	Goffstown
		Paradis, Diane M.		
	31	Madore, Matthew J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Latham, Anna K.	Goffstown, NH	
Jun.	6	Roy, Ronald R.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Hinton, Lillian M.	Goffstown, NH	
	7	Nigohosian, David J.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
		Craddock, Nicki A.	Goffstown, NH	
	8	Marquis, Jason Y.	Goffstown, NH	Milford
		Black, Robyn A.	Goffstown, NH	
	20	Lunn, Timothy P.	Goffstown, NH	Windham
		Plante, Erica L.	Goffstown, NH	
	28	Elechko, Peter J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Tollefsen, Sarah K.	Goffstown, NH	
	28	Selleck, Benjamin Z.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Wilson, Stephanie B.	Goffstown, NH	
	30	Rynearson, Lee K.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Lorenz, Anastasia M.	Goffstown, NH	

DATE		NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jul.	4	Kelley, Lionel H.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Innarelli, Kathleen M.	Goffstown, NH	
	4	Haithwaite, Christopher	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Comerford, Candace C.	Manchester, NH	
	5	Chauvette, Colby R.	Goffstown, NH	Windham
		Perreault, Nicole N.	Goffstown, NH	
	26	Keough, Stephen M.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
		Wilson, Patricia A.	Goffstown, NH	
	26	Hammer, Thomas M.	Goffstown, NH	Candia
		Marchand, Elizabeth M.	Goffstown, NH	
Aug.	2	Herod, Jonathan E.	Goffstown, NH	Portsmouth
		Mason, Heather E.	Goffstown, NH	
	2	Young, Christopher A.	Goffstown, NH	Newfields
		McClure, Susan N	Newfields, NH	
	8	Campagna, Daniel G.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
		Blunden, Karen D.	Goffstown, NH	
	8	Mousseau, Jason L.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Beaudoin, Anne M.	Goffstown, NH	
	9	Boulter, Jeffrey R.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Cullinane, Sheila A.	Goffstown, NH	
	9	Robinson, Gilbert M.	Goffstown, NH	Candia
		Raymond, Virginia L.	Goffstown, NH	
	9	Cote, Michael D.	Goffstown, NH	Nottingham
		Thibodeau, Rachel K.	Nottingham, NH	
Aug.	9	Perreault, Charles H.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Proverb, Melissa M.	Goffstown, NH	
	9	Friend-Gray, Owen P.	Nottingham, NH	Nottingham
		Dignard, Marion K.	Goffstown, NH	
	15	Bourgeois, Brian M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Arroyo, Cathie D.	Goffstown, NH	
	15	Cole, Bryan C.	Goffstown, NH	Candia
		Livingston, Stacey R.	Goffstown, NH	
	16	Harrington, John E.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
		Cannon, Elizabeth A.	Goffstown, NH	
	16	St. Onge, Robert R.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
		Mercier, Monica M.	Goffstown, NH	
	17	Burkhardt, Joshua P.	Manchester, NH	Moultonborough
		Jaskolka, Sarah A.	Goffstown, NH	
	23	Nault, Brandon A.	Goffstown, NH	Canterbury
		Pullen, Ashley M.	Goffstown, NH	
	24	Cullity, Thomas F.	Goffstown, NH	Allenstown
		Patton, Sarah J.	Goffstown, NH	
	30	Litalien, Paul A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
		Ingram, Arquanette	Nashua, NH	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Aug. 30	Wilby, Seth	Goffstown, NH	Wilton
	Carter, Joy E.	Wilton, NH	
30	Fontaine, Brian R.	Goffstown, NH	Nashua
	Kivlin, Ashley C.	Goffstown, NH	
31	Clark, Scott R.	Goffstown, NH	Lincoln
	Ort, Stacey R.	Goffstown, NH	
Sep. 13	Shea, Kevin M.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
	Lencki, Jessica M.	Goffstown, NH	
13	Brenner, Ryan M.	Goffstown, NH	Candia
	Gilman, Cynthia M.	Goffstown, NH	
13	Carson, Ian R.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
	Montmarquet, Angela M.	Goffstown, NH	
19	Lewis, Timothy R.	Goffstown, NH	Nashua
	Gagnon, Sarah J.	Goffstown, NH	
19	Gagne, Nathaniel D.	Manchester, NH	Manchester
	Vaillancourt, Nicole L	Goffstown, NH	
20	Benjamin, Jeffrey L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Michaud, Jennifer L.	Goffstown, NH	
27	Novotny, Jeffrey R.	Hopkinton, NH	Manchester
	Scheingold, Lynne A.	Goffstown, NH	
Oct. 3	Calef, Daniel B.	Goffstown, NH	Pelham
	Greenwood, Elaine D.	Goffstown, NH	
4	McCormick, Scott W.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Coventry, Dianne L.	Goffstown, NH	
4	Slattery, Justin J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
	Harrington, Amy E.	Goffstown, NH	
5	Baule, Michael D.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
	Smithell, Carrie A.	Goffstown, NH	
6	Clark, John M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Dusseault, Kathryn A.	Goffstown, NH	
10	Franklin, Larry A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Brady, Shannon E.	Goffstown, NH	
11	Labrecque, Thomas L.	Goffstown, NH	Hollis
	Leonard, Kelly E.	Goffstown, NH	
11	Skorupski, Keith R.	Goffstown, NH	Hooksett
	Makarov, Angelina	Goffstown, NH	
18	Emmons, Joseph T.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Jalbert, Stephanie R.	Manchester, NH	
18	Woods, Bobby J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Beltz, Amanda L.	New Boston, NH	
24	Wheeler, Nathaniel D.	Milford, NH	Manchester
	Sutherland, Ashley J.	Goffstown, NH	
25	Kirouac, Paul R.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Rusinski, Antoinina	Goffstown, NH	

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Nov. 1	Willard, Mark E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Jackson, Jennifer A.	Goffstown, NH	
1	Gingras, Eric P.	Manchester, NH	Londonderry
	Henk, Danielle E.	Goffstown, NH	
15	Vanhorn, William P.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Gallegos, Patsy	Goffstown, NH	
21	Centorino, Stephen J.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
	Duval, Kimberly M.		
Dec. 20	McCune, Adam J.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
	Ahlgren, Robin M.	Goffstown, NH	
29	Skersey, Mark A.	Goffstown, NH	Rumney
	Figuera, Norma J.	Walpole, NH	
31	Harradon, Alden G.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Guillemette, Jacqueline E.	Goffstown, NH	
31	Sherwood, Dustin V.	Goffstown, NH	Londonderry
	Desimone, Jenelle F.	Goffstown, NH	

TOTAL NUMBER OF MARRIAGES: 81

2008 Civil Unions

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE	PLACE OF CIVIL UNION
Jan. 5	Stagno, Patricia A.	Goffstown, NH	Milford
	Bureau, Helene M.	Goffstown, NH	
11	Fraser, Laurie A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Mullins, Robin L.	Goffstown, NH	
12	Tripp, Richard J.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Chasse, Robert A.	Goffstown, NH	
25	MacDonald, Alanna A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Leblanc, Cathy A.	Goffstown, NH	
Feb. 1	Hansen, Kit	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Ireland, Kathy E.	Goffstown, NH	
20	Lyn, Tracy	Goffstown, NH	Concord
	Slinko, Colleen P.	Goffstown, NH	
May 20	Berkeley, Elizabeth A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Leonard, Staci O.	Goffstown, NH	
Jul. 19	Lang, Eva A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
	Ware, M. Vickie	Goffstown, NH	
22	Hodgdon, Christine M.	Goffstown, NH	Concord
	Rogers, Amanda S.	Goffstown, NH	
Aug. 23	Roberge, Heidi L.	Goffstown, NH	Weare
	Roberge, Cathy J.	Goffstown, NH	

TOTAL NUMBER OF CIVIL UNIONS: 10

2008 Deaths

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Jan. 1	Larocque, Hector	Manchester	Larocque, Hector	Simard, Alma
2	Enman, Kenneth	Manchester	Enman, Daniel	MacDougall, Ellen
9	LaFrance, John	Goffstown	LaFrance, William	Kelly, Annie
11	Fredericks, William	Manchester	Fredericks, Christian	Andrews, Beatrice
14	Furkey, John	Merrimack	Furkey, George	Donlin, Grace
15	Glover, Jonathan	Goffstown	Glover, Richard	Petit, Estelle
15	Picard Jr., Felix	Manchester	Picard Sr., Felix	Landry, Alfanie
16	Scannell, Joseph	Manchester	Scannell, Florence	Jollymore, Mary
22	Roy, Adrien	Goffstown	Roy, Edward	Charland, Adrienne
Feb. 1	Kater, Marion	Goffstown	Akroyd, Fred	Fairbanks, Edith
1	Cram, William	Goffstown	Cram, Guy	Gale, Marion
3	Sirois, Daniel	Goffstown	Sirois, Marcel	Morin, Margurette
4	Thayer, Charles	Goffstown	Thayer, Edwin	Hammond, Lilly
8	Meserve, Edward	Goffstown	Meserve, Clarence	Carter, Pauline
18	Charpentier, Patricia	Manchester	Bashalany, Albert	Russell, Joanna
19	Hall, Herman	Goffstown	Hall, Herman	Graves, Helen
21	Huckins, Jon	Goffstown	Huckins, John	Davis, Elizabeth
29	Stache, Clarence	Manchester	Stache, Herman	Dietsch, Mary
Mar. 7	Whittier, Gertrude	Goffstown	George, Orlando	Morrison, Gertrude
7	Gordon, Richard	Goffstown	Gordon, Stanley	Griffen, Violet
8	Pascual, Betty	Manchester	Cox, Floyd	Unknown, Mable
12	Roy, Leonida	Goffstown	Routhier, Odule	Vachon, Marie
14	Crean, Ralph	New Boston	Crean, Dennis	Pollycutt, Rosabel
16	Gallagher, Marie	Manchester	Melanson, John	Boudreau, Mary
19	Trumble, Donald	Manchester	Trumble, Cyrus	Lavalle, Amelia
19	Koerber, Ann	Goffstown	Cramer, Edward	Hilckman, Bertha
20	Stemska, Edmund	Manchester	Stemska, Emdund	Piecuch, Helen
25	Horan, Helen	Goffstown	Sweeney, John	Anderson, Ellen
26	Taylor, Kenneth	Bedford	Taylor, John	Peddle, Julia
28	Elgart, Marcelle	Goffstown	Vivier, Arthur	Chenard, Laura
30	Lacerte, Roland	Goffstown	Lacerte, Albert	Bourassa, Eva
30	Fournier, Robert	Bedford	Fournier, Louis	Becker, Magdalene
31	Celeste, Jean	Manchester	O'Connor, Daniel	McCarthy, Helen
Apr. 5	Godbout, Maurice	Goffstown	Godbout, Wilfred	Dorais, Dorilda
6	Frederickson, Charles	Goffstown	Frederickson, Clarence	Oswald, Grace
9	Gallagher, Jean	Goffstown	Napolitano, Pascuel	Unknown, Lena
12	Russell, Cheryl	Goffstown	Russell, Charles	Barrett, Judith
13	Lanza, Susan	Goffstown	Mettler, John	Leffler, Theresa
18	Thibedeau Jr., Frank	Goffstown	Thibedeau Sr., Frank	Gagne, Thelma
18	Daniel, Frederick	Manchester	Daniel, William	O'Brien, Gwendolyn

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
21	Veno, John	Concord	Veno, George	Cavanaugh, Ruth
Apr. 22	Archambault, Rachel	Goffstown	Provencher, Alberic	Provencher, Georgianna
23	Lacerte, Gilberte	Goffstown	Lacerte, Albert	Bourassa, Eva
24	Lambert Jr., Thomas	Goffstown	Lambert Sr.,Thomas	Martin, Annie
24	Oparowski, Julia	Goffstown	Piecuch, John	Jaworski, Caroline
26	Olsen, Michael	Hooksett	Olsen, John	Morse, Linda
May 7	Chesnulevich, Ralph	Manchester	Chesnulevich, John	Owens, Vera
10	Beaudin, Georgette	Goffstown	Gelinas, Armand	Champoux, Nolia
10	Caron, Roger	Goffstown	Caron, Henri	Gagnon, Gertrude
16	Martel, Samuel	Manchester	Martel, Thomas	Bellerose, Florida
23	Perron, Claire	Goffstown	Cloutier, Agenard	Martel, Luvina
25	Desilets, Rita	Goffstown	Desilets, Oscar	Cote, Suzanne
27	Martel, Alpha	Manchester	Martel, Aimee	Turgeon, Melanie
27	Treamer, Lorraine	Manchester	Robida, Alex	Bisson, Blanche
29	Glines, Barbara	Goffstown	Bird, Howard	McKenzie, Leola
Jun. 2	Bilger, Barbara	Goffstown	Rainaud, Warren	Garland, Evelyn
14	Nunes, Sarah	Goffstown	Lefebvre, Jeremie	Marr-Birmingham, Sarah
19	Saucier Sr., Robert	Manchester	Saucier, Leo	Bussiere, Doris
19	Rimol, Andrew	Manchester	Rimol, Andrew	Unknown, Anna
19	Russell Sr., Robert	Manchester	Russell, Harold	Beard, Alvira
30	Perez, Janette	Goffstown	Perez, Luis	Aponte, Luz
30	Labarre, Beatrice	Goffstown	Robin, Joseph	Audet, Emilie
30	Jones, Albert	Manchester	Jones, Clayton	Cordiner, Barbara
Jul. 6	Phelps, Joyce	Manchester	Roberts, Fred	Parker, Angie
9	Delude, Helena	Manchester	Enright, John	Sorell, Eva
9	Locke, Edwin	Goffstown	Locke, Bert	Downs, Bertha
20	Schult, Muriel	Concord	Kaufmann, William	Meyer, Augusta
25	Lang, Krik	Plymouth	Lang, James	Miles, Joan
29	Rafftery Jr., William	Goffstown	Rafftery, William	Ladish, Mildred
29	Emerson, Horace	Concord	Emerson, Charles	Swan, Mabel
30	Poulin, Jeannette	Goffstown	Rene, Hormidas	Champagne, Marie Anna
30	Crooks, Joan	Manchester	Glynn, Kenneth	Luce, Kathleen
Aug. 6	Searles, Claire	Goffstown	Dupere, George	Simard, Rose
7	Gagnon, Robert	Manchester	Gagnon, Adelard	Goudreault, Marie
9	Whitmore, Rita	Goffstown	Roux, Oscar	Roy, Eva
15	Cummings, Helen	Goffstown	Norris, James	Mahaffe, Agnes
25	Hall, Frank	Manchester	Unknown, Unknown	Unknown, Unknown
Sep. 5	Cavanaugh, James	Goffstown	Cavanaugh, Leo	Merrill, Ina
8	Albala, Maurice	Goffstown	Mois, David	Albala, Ernestina
21	Brown, Robert	Goffstown	Brown, John	French, Bertha

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
21	Bergeron, Roger	Merrimack	Bergeron, Eugene	Martineau, Angeline
25	Stanyan, Marjorie	Goffstown	Stanyan, Leland	West, Ruth
Sep. 27	Hill, Paul	Nashua	Hill, Henry	McLellan, Mable
28	Clements, Dorothy	Manchester	Sharp, Norman	Doherty, Mary
Oct. 1	Mitchell, Frederick	Goffstown	Mitchell, Frederick	McVeigh, Minnie
2	Gage, Edward	Goffstown	Gage, Harry	Shirley, Grace
6	Grant, Cecile	Goffstown	Morin, Philias	St. Germain, Ida
9	Abramson, Charlotte	Goffstown	Nappan, Alexander	Lebow, Ida
11	Bright, Elizabeth	Goffstown	Jordan, Humphrey	Killam, Jane
11	Sidlik, Nellie	Goffstown	Piecuch, George	Piecuch, Tekla
13	Levy Jr., William	Manchester	Levy, William	Cox, Margaret
26	Bates, Marilyn	Goffstown	Bates, Walter	Hanright, Blanche
26	Peaslee, Donald	Manchester	Peaslee, Harry	Fuller, Fannie
Nov. 2	Balmos, Edward	Manchester	Balmos, Harry	Wenzel, Anetha
2	Ashooh, Meachell	Goffstown	Ashooh, Elias	Maroon, Rasheedy
3	Kruger, Jack	Goffstown	Unknown, Unknown	Schmidt, Dorothy
5	Demers-Sullivan, Judith	Goffstown	Demers, Wendell	Pollard, Hermena
8	Peters, Velma	Goffstown	Fetterley, Wilson	Ladue, Frances
10	Caza, Joseph	Goffstown	Caza, Henry	Campagne, Marie
Dec. 2	Puff, Ruth	Goffstown	Puff, Edward	Roedel, Lillian
8	Auger, Robert	Goffstown	Auger, Leo	Goudreau, Fernande
9	Kelley, Elizabeth	Goffstown	Fitzgerald, William	Boucher, Mary
10	Beaunoyer, Lionnetta	Goffstown	Pinard, Joseph	Caron, Beatrice
16	Gamace, Yvonne	Goffstown	Martel, Louis	Courchesne, Georgeanne
18	King, Marguerite	Manchester	Tremblay, Arthur	Harrison, Alma
18	Hadges, Harriett	Goffstown	Marshall, Alpha	Brubeck, Jean
18	Bridgeman, David	Goffstown	Bridgeman, George	Callahan, Mary
20	Encalada, Frank	Manchester	Encalada, Joseph	Garcia, Mecedes
26	Gimas, Antoinette	Goffstown	Gagnier, Louis	Gagnier, Eugenie
26	Drolet II, Alfred	Concord	Drolet, Alfred	Gingriss, Angeline
27	Orleans, Robert	Goffstown	Orleans, Marcel	McGuirl, Rose
27	Morency, Annette	Goffstown	Herbert, George	Therrien, Ozilda
31	Wheelock, Nancy	Manchester	Wheelock Jr., Major	Gauthier, Rita
31	Langelier, Irene	Goffstown	Houle, Emile	Desaulniers, Victoria

TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS: 116

2008 Interments

Name	Age	Date of Death	Burial Date	Section	Lot	Grave
		HILLSIDE CEMETARY				
Sawyer, David T.		06/07/08	06/20/08	Range 13 Div 4	7	
Lang, Kirk Arthur	44	07/25/08	07/28/08	Range 34	5a	2
Davis, Anna E.	84	06/02/85	08/02/08	Range 12	36	4
Malo-Juvera, Dolores A.	68	04/19/04	08/02/08	Range 12	36	4
		SHIRLEY HILL				
Crean, Ralph Edwin	86	03/14/08	05/09/08	3F	16	2
Gibbs, Frank Dickerson	71	12/02/07	05/12/08	Range 1	3	
Hall, Herman George	84	02/19/08	07/25/08	Range 1	5	
Gage, Edward Shirley	71	10/02/08	10/06/08	Shirley Lot		
Brown, Robert M.	84	09/21/08	10/09/08	1	42	
		WESTLAWN				
Hunter, Richard		01/03/08	01/11/08	1989	63	3
Hutson, Donald R.	84	01/14/08	03/17/08	1984	31	2
Buxton, Donald H.	79	03/22/08	03/26/08	1989	41	2
Whittier, Gertrude	83	03/07/08	04/04/08	1904 R3	6	
Frederickson, Charles P.	77	04/06/08	04/10/08	1994	189	
Furkey, John Dolin	85	01/14/08	04/30/08	1988	4a	1
Gokey, Kathleen		12/10/07	05/03/08	1991	10	
Richard, Louis P.	72	02/15/08	05/08/08	1990	122	1
Lamy, Cynthia J.	67	12/21/07	05/30/08	1984	11	2
Lamy, Jeffrey S.	45	02/18/08	05/30/08	1984	11	2
Desrosiers, Virginia R.	86	06/05/08	06/10/08	1933-1946	50	3
Tirrell, Stanford W.	47	06/10/08	06/17/08	1984	32	
Russell Sr., Robert H.	73	06/19/08	06/24/08	1994	193	2
Karanikas, Steven John	56	02/27/08	07/24/08	1960	99	1
Braley, Nicholas Alexander	26	05/03/08	08/10/08	1960	133	2
McGrath, Betty L.	73	08/15/08	08/21/08	1992	152B	1
White, Sarah Mullen	96	08/17/08	08/21/08	1904	5A	1
Kallander, Paul E.		06/30/07	08/22/08	1994	206A	1
Bennett, Christopher	33	08/26/08	09/12/08	1988	10	2
Orr, Evelyn Christine		08/15/08	10/02/08	1960	62	
Lassor, Clarence J.		10/08/08	10/15/08	1904	73A	1
Kruger, Jack Leroy	73	11/03/08	11/10/08	1992	180A	1
Smith, Eunice H.	101	11/20/08	12/04/08	1989	57	
Bean Jr., Lorenzo F.	64	11/27/08	12/08/08	1933	31a	2
Boisvert, Roger Frank	83	11/25/08	12/08/08	1933	16	

TOTAL INTERMENTS: 34

AUDIT MANAGEMENT REPORT

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July 28, 2008

Board of Selectmen, Town of Goffstown

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town of Goffstown's internal accounting control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. Significant deficiencies are noted in the table of contents and comment headings.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Selectmen, others within the organization, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other then these specified parties.

After you have had an opportunity to consider our comments and recommendations, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

CURRENT YEAR RECOMMENDATION:

1. Consider Implementing Internal Control Improvements (Significant Deficiency)

 In accordance with a new generally accepted audit standard (SAS 112), independent auditors must now report issues (called "significant deficiencies") to the governing body. The definition of this term is included in the opening letter to this management letter.

SAS 112 specifically requires that certain situations, if present in the municipality, must be reported as a significant deficiency. Although these conditions may not be new to the municipality, and may be very common practices for municipalities, they must now be reported in the management letter. The governing body of the Town should evaluate the cost/benefit of these issues to determine whether corrective action is warranted.

The following summarizes certain current and past practices in the Town that meet the new criteria of significant deficiencies.

Establish Internal Controls over the Preparation of Audited Financial Statements

Although the Town maintains its accounting records in accordance with standards established by State statutes, and is able to prepare reports for internal and State purposes, historically, the annual financial statements have been drafted by the independent auditor. Because the Town must take full responsibility for the accuracy and disclosure of the financial statements, it must, either internally, or through the use of a qualified outside party (other than the independent auditor), review the financial statements and related footnote disclosures, to assure compliance with generally accepted accounting principles, and to verify that no material misstatements exist. Relying on the independent auditor to perform these functions is considered a control deficiency.

Corrective Action to be Considered:

The Town should provide additional staff training in the area of preparing financial statement prepared under the GASB 34 reporting model to ensure material misstatements are not present.

Document Components of Internal Control

In order to establish an effective system of internal controls, the Town should document the policies, procedures and controls over key financial transactions, including cash, tax/utility receivable activity, departmental receipts, purchasing, vendor disbursements, employee benefit/payroll disbursements, and general ledger maintenance. This documentation could be used by departments as guidance to help safeguard assets, properly record transactions, and provide a basis for continuing operations when turnover occurs in key financial departments. Although the Town maintains certain policies and procedures, they are not complete, or distributed to all applicable departmental personnel.

Corrective Action to be Considered:

Several years ago, the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency published comprehensive internal control guidance that has recently been put in place by publicly traded companies as a result of Sarbanes Oxley legislation. The COSO report outlines five components of effective internal control: Control Environment, Risk Assessment, Control Activities, Information & Communication, and

Monitoring. The Town should consider implementing a written internal control framework using the COSO model.

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Selectmen, Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Goffstown's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, as of December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Melanson Heath & Company February 23, 2007

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

December 31, 2007

ASSETS:	Gov't Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Current			
Cash & short-term investments	$13,342,400	$1,884,098	$15,226,498
Investments	927,471	--	927,471
Receivables, net allowance for uncollectibles			
Property Taxes	2,138,187	--	2,138,187
User Fees	130,263	172,375	302,998
Special Assessments	--	34,722	34,722
Intergovernmental	252,367	37,410	289,777
Other Assets	42,688	--	42,688
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net allowance for uncollectibles:	--	--	--
Special Assessment			
Intergovernmental	--	243,831	243,831
Capital Assets:			
Land & construction in progress	4,716,963		4,716,963
Other Assets – net of accumulated depreciation	23,810,968	7,699,798	31,510,766
TOTAL ASSETS	**45,361,667**	**10,072,234**	**55,433,901**
LIABILITIES:			
Current			
Vouchers Payable	847,745	61,577	909,322
Accrued Liabilities	220,297	31,807,	252,104
Due to school district	7,696,921	--	7,696,921
Due to other governments	631,089	--	631,089
Other current liabilities	10,717	--	10,717
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	253,311	260,000	513,311
Other liabilities	55,917	3,035	58,952
Non-current:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	1,520,796	1,235,000	2,755,796
Other liabilities, net of current portion	1,122,784	3,353	1,126,137
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**$12,359,577**	**$1,594,772**	**$13,954,349**
NET ASSETS:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	$26,753,824	$6,204,798	$32,958,622
Restricted for Permanent Funds:			
Nonexpendable	181,596	--	181,596
Expendable	538,774	--	538,774
Unrestricted	5,527,896	2,272,664	7,800,560
TOTAL NET ASSETS	**$33,002,090**	**$8,477,462**	**$41,479,552**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
December 31, 2007

	Program Revenues				Net (Expenses) Revenues & Changes in Net Assets		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Grants and Contributions Oper.	Capital	Gov't Activities	Business -Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General Government	1,844,277	381,132	211,518	-	(1,251,627)	-	(1,251,627)
Public Safety	6,250,744	644,304	124,853	-	(5,481,587)	-	(5,481,587)
Public Works	3,364,549	177,129	47,407	581,922	(2,558,091)	-	(2,558,091)
Health & Welfare	72,366	-	-	-	(72,366)	-	(72,366)
Library & Rec.	1,286,641	3,271	-	-	(1,283,370)	-	(1,283,370)
County Assessments	5,101,274	-	-	-	(5,101,274)	-	(5,101,274)
School District Assessments	11,164,679	-	-	-	(11,164,679)	-	(11,164,679)
Debt Service	75,169	-	-	-	(75,169)	-	(75,169)
Miscellaneous	2,366,802	-	-	-	(2,366,802)	-	(2,366,802)
Total Governmental Activities:	**31,526,501**	**1,205,836**	**383,778**	**581,922**	**(29,354,965)**	**-**	**(29,354,965)**
Business-Type Activities:							
Sewer Services	1,387,005	1,409,682	26,633	-	-	(49,310)	(49,310)
TOTAL	**32,913,506**	**2,615,518**	**410,411**	**581,922**	**(29,354,965)**	**49,310**	**(29,305,655)**

General Revenues:	Gov't Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Taxes	$ 26,723,490	--	$ 26,723,490
Motor Vehicle Permits	2,40,993	--	2,440,993
Penalties, interest, other taxes	165,955	--	165,955
Grants, contributions not restricted to specific programs	1,165,189	--	1,165,189
Investment Income	283,570	31,153	314,723
Miscellaneous & Interfund	285,522	(125,420)	160,102
Permanent Fund Contributions	33,605	--	33,605
TOTAL Rev. & Contributions	$ 31,098,324	$ (94,267)	$ 31,004,057
Change in Net Assets	1,743,359	(44,957)	1,698,402
Net Assets:			
Beginning of Year	31,258,731	8,522,419	39,781,150
End of Year	33,002,090	8,477,462	41,479,552

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Goffstown, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements comprise of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, economic development, and culture and recreation. The business-type activities include sewer enterprise activities.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that are essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by $ 41,479,552 (i.e., net assets), a change of $ 1,698,402 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $ 6,640,835, a change of $ 667,620 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was $ 1,280,855, a change of $ (165,674) in comparison with the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was $ 3,269,107, a change of $ (613,311) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal year (in thousands):

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Current & other assets	$ 16,834	$ 16,002	$ 2,372	$ 2,153	$ 19,206	$18,155
Capital assets	28,528	9,642	7,700	8,358	36,228	18,000
Total assets	45,362	25,644	10,072	10,511	55,434	36,155
Long-term liabilities outstanding	2,953	3,251	1,501	1,880	4,454	5,131
Other liabilities	9,407	9,258	94	109	9,501	9,367
Total liabilities	12,360	12,509	1,595	1,989	13,955	14,498
Net assets						
Invested in capital assets, net	26,754	9,381	6,205	6,503	32,959	15,884
Restricted	721	1,213	-	-	721	1,213
Unrestricted	5,527	2,541	2,272	2,019	7,799	4,560
Total net assets	$ 33,002	$ 13,135	$ 8,477	$ 8,522	$ 41,479	$ 21,657

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities		BusinessType Activities		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	1,206	1,228	1,410	957	2,616	2,185
Operating grants and Contributions	384	1,168	27	210	411	1,378
Capital grants and Contributions	582	357	-	-	582	357
General revenues:						
Property Taxes	26,724	26,954	-	-	26,724	26,954
Motor vehicle permits	2,441	2,515	-	-	2,441	2,515
Penalties, interest, & other taxes	166	225	-	-	166	225
Grants & contributions not restricted to specific programs	1,165	921	-	-	1,165	921
Investment income	284	221	31	11	315	232
Miscellaneous	132	109	28	-	160	109
Total revenues	33,084	33,698	1,496	1,178	34,580	34,876
Expenses:						
General government	1,844	1,612	-	-	1,844	1,612
Public safety	6,251	6,178	-	-	6,251	6,178
Public works	3,365	4,960	-	-	3,365	4,960
Health and welfare	72	80	-	-	72	80
Library and recreation	1,287	970	-	-	1,287	970
County assessments	1,585	1,571	-	-	1,585	1,571
School District assessments	14,681	15,422	-	-	14,681	15,422
Interest on long-term debt	75	85	-	-	75	85
Miscellaneous	2,368	1,330	-	-	2,368	1,330
Sewer operations	-	-	1,387	1,651	1,387	1,651
Total expenses	31,528	32,208	1,387	1,651	32,915	33,859
Change in net assets	1,556	1,490	109	(473)	1,665	1,017
Transfers in (out)	154	159	(154)	(159)	-	-
Permanent fund contributions	33	25	-	-	33	25
Increase in net assets	1,743	1,674	(45)	(632)	1,698	1,042

Net assets –

beginning of year	31,259	11,461	8,522	9,154	39,781	20,615
Net assets – end of year	$ 33,002	$ 13,135	$ 8,477	$ 8,522	$41,479	$ 21,657

*The Town of Goffstown is a tier II entity pursuant to GASB Statement 34. As such, it is required to record retroactive infrastructure assets in fiscal year 2007. As a result, net assets have been restated in fiscal year 2007 to include infrastructure assets.

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were $ 41,479,552, a change of $ 1,698,402 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net assets $ 32,958,622 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net assets $ 720,370 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets $ 7,800,560 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net assets of $ 1,743,359. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations (see section D)	$523,797
Nonmajor funds	143,823
Depreciation expense in excess of Principal debt service	(926,388)
Local and grant revenue used for flood damages	1,940,656
Other	61,471
Total	$1,743,359

Business-Type Activities. Business-type activities for the year resulted in a change in net assets of $ (44,957).

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $ 6,011,304, a change of $ 667,620 in comparison with the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund, as discussed further	$ 523,797
Nonmajor funds	143,823
Total	$ 667,620

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was $ 1,280,855, while total fund balance was $ 3,857,170. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 3.98 percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 11.99 percent of that same amount.

The fund balance of the general fund changed by $ 523,797 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenue in excess of budget	$ 200,932
Expenditures less than budget	534,723
Collection of prior year tax revenue	13,693
Use of fund balance to reduce taxes	(500,000)
Current year encumbrance over prior year encumbrances	689,470
Timing difference – federal grant for bridge project	(415,021)
Total	$ 523,797

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net assets of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to $ 2,272,664, a change of $ (44,957) in comparison with the prior year.

Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There are no differences between the original budget and the final amended budget.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to $ 36,227,729 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of $ 100,885 from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

Three tax deeded parcels of land	$ 403
Two dump trucks with sanders	$ 275,812
One skid steer loader	$ 53,802
One excavator	$ 61,730

One pickup truck for Police Dept.	$ 16,383
Three cruisers	$70,985
One car for Recreation Dept.	$ 15,600
Three bridges	$1,522,737

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was $ 3,269,107, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report represents a condensed version of the Town of Goffstown's financial statements for FYE 12/31/07. Not all schedules and footnotes are presented in this town report version. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Janice O'Connell, Finance Director
Town of Goffstown
16 Main Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

SELECTMEN RESPONSE TO AUDITORS

October 20, 2008

Melanson Heath & Company, P.C.
102 Perimeter Road
Nashua, New Hampshire 03063-1301

Dear Auditors:

The following is the response from the Board of Selectmen to the Management Letter comments dated July 28, 2008, prepared by Melanson Heath & Company. The comments in your Management Letter pertain to issues surrounding the audit for year ending December 31, 2007.

CURRENT YEAR ISSUE:

Consider Implementing Internal Control Improvements (Significant Deficiency)

Establish Internal Controls over the Preparation of Audited Financial Statements

Response: Staff will receive additional training in the area of preparing financial statements to ensure compliance with the GASB 34 reporting model and to ensure material misstatements are not present.

Document Components of Internal Control

Response: The Town will implement written internal controls that are framed using the COSO model as a guide.

Respectfully Submitted,

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Nicholas Campasano, Chairman
Scott Gross, Vice Chairman
Vivian Blondeau
John A. Caprio
Philip D'Avanza

MS-1 Summary Inventory Of Valuation for Year 2008

	ASSESSED VALUATION TAXABLE	TOTAL
LAND		
Current Use (incl. Cons. Restriction)	$ 842,930	
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	
Discretionary Easement	1,200	
Residential	458,784,400	
Commercial/Industrial	60,678,200	
Total Taxable Land		$520,306,730
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable (est.)		27,615,800
BUILDINGS		
Residential	$ 763,476,600	
Manufactured Housing	24,571,000	
Commercial/Industrial	82,452,900	
Discretionary Preservation Easement	27,600	
Total of Taxable Buildings		$870,528,100
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		92,515,500
PUBLIC UTILITIES		
Electric	$ 27,652,000	
Gas	780,000	
Total Public Utilities		$28,432,000
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		**$1,419,266,830**

EXEMPTIONS:	**NUMBER**	
Certain Disabled Veterans	2	$413,100
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	15	225,000
Elderly	211	13,435,000
Total Exemptions	229	13,660,000

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED	$1,405,043,730
NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE **EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED**	**$1,376,611,730**

Schedule of Town Property

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
SCHOOL				
4/103	16 Maple Avenue	157,200	2,898,400	3,055,600
5/14/1	251 Elm St – Kindergarten	280,300	1,127,200	1,407,500
5/97	Wallace Road - GAHS	16,500		16,500
5/98	27 Wallace Road - GAHS	406,200	10,444,800	10,851,000
8/74	Tibbetts Hill Rd. - MVMS	937,200	8,990,100	9,927,300
17/182	689 Mast Road - Bartlett	531,300	1,154,500	1,685,800
34/138	11 School St – Upper El	151,100	254,600	405,700
SCHOOL TOTALS:		**2,479,800**	**24,869,600**	**27,349,400**
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT				
1/37	Back Mountain Road	480,300		480,300
1/38	Back Mountain Road	978,000	88,700	1,066,700
4/11	off Merrill Road	81,400	5,600	87,000
4/16/2	Mountain Road	110,300		110,300
7/2	Mast Road	42,200	11,000	53,200
7/5	North Mast Road	219,100	3,100	222,200
7/8/1	North Mast Road	114,100		114,100
7/106/2	High Street	69,000		69,000
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT TOTALS:		**$2,094,400**	**108,400**	**2,202,800**
TOWN & CONSERVATION				
1/35	Back Mountain Road	291,800		291,800
2/39/4	off Back Mountain Rd	12,300		12,300
2/64/28	Shirley Hill Road	33,400		33,400
2/64/29	Addison Road	6,700		6,700
3/9	off School House Road	30,100		30,100
4/61	off New Boston Road	28,500		28,500
5/14	Goffstown Back Road	276,600		276,600
5/15/3	Elm St	20,000		20,000
5/15/4	Elm St	50,000		50,000
5/24	404 Elm Street	362,000	811,300	1,173,300
5/38/39	Juniper Drive	42,800		42,800
5/97	Wallace Road	16,500		16,500
6/39/1/A	326 Mast Road	81,000	656,400	737,400
7/3/1	off Mast Road	17,300		17,300
7/72	Mast/Autumn Street	450,700		450,700

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
8/44	off Locust Hill	13,500		13,500
9/29/1	289 Tirrell Hill Road	87,100	202,300	289,400
10/11	Tenney Road	7,800		7,800
12/10A	Montelona Rd (off)	118,500		118,500
15/58	Rosemont Street	91,100		91,100
15/59	Rosemont Street	6,600		6,600
15/57A	Rosemont Street	100,500	103,400	203,900
15/73A	31 Rosemont Street	7,200		7,200
17/37	656 Mast Rd.	103,300	511,100	614,400
17/238	36 Laurier Street	182,000	12,500	194,500
19/15	19 Channel Lane	19,400	2,000	21,400
19/47	off Sharon St	250,000		250,000
21/85	60 Cove Street	68,900		68,900
21/64A	Riverside Drive	30,000		30,000
24-37	Andre/Russell	18,500		18,500
24/44	Rem Drive	8,300		8,300
24/44R/6	Rem Drive	17,300		17,300
24/59A	Lynchville Park Road	36,100		36,100
26/13A	Mast Rd/Henry Bridge	12,400		12,400
27/23	Henry Bridge Road	26,900		26,900
27/25	86 Center Street	45,000	2,000	47,000
28/28	87 Center St	68,000	177,900	245,900
30/81	9 Barnard Lane	145,300	146,100	291,400
30/25A	Pineridge Road	10,000		10,000
30/29/A	Highland Avenue	12,500		12,500
31/19	155 S Mast St	86,000	159,700	245,700
31/22	off Mast Road	59,200		59,200
32/26E/18	Hermsdorf Avenue	13,500		13,500
32/26E/19	Hermsdorf Avenue	13,500		13,500
32/26E/22	Hermsdorf Avenue	13,200		13,200
32/26E/30	Janice Drive	13,500		13,500
32/26E/55	Thomas Drive	13,900		13,900
34/83	16 Main Street	244,500	662,100	906,600
34/96	Church Street	136,300	12,700	149,000
34/99	Church Street	168,100		168,100
34/107	2 High Street	203,500	311,200	514,700
34/114/1	50 Elm Street	64,100		64,100
34/129	Mill Street	39,000		39,000
34/148	Main Street	203,000	9,200	212,200
34/152	Main Street	158,400		158,400
34/177	East Union Street	118,400	77,400	195,800

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
35/48	Island on Glen Lake	250,400		250,400
37/9	N Mast St	45,000		45,000
38/13	18 Church Street	187,600	305,200	492,800
40/1	Crescent Lane	55,900		55,900
40/8	Perimeter Road	5,100		5,100
40/11	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,200		5,200
40/12	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	38,200		38,200
40/14	Crescent Lane	5,400		5,400
40/15	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,300		5,300
40/16	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,200		5,200
40/17	Cresent Lane	5,100		5,100
40/18	Cresent Lane	5,100		5,100
40/19	Cresent Lane	4,900		4,900
40/20	Cresent Lane	4,900		4,900
40/21	Cresent Lane	5,100		5,100
40/22	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,200		5,200
40/23	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/24	Cresent Lane	5,100		5,100
40/25	Cresent Lane	5,800		5,800
40/27	Perimeter Road	5,200		5,200
40/29	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,300		5,300
40/34	Summit Road	5,000		5,000
40/35	Summit Road	5,000		5,000
40/42	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,100		5,100
40/4A	Uncanoonuc Mtn.	27,000		27,000
40/47	197 Perimeter Road	35,100	300	35,400
40/50	off Perimeter Road	5,900		5,900
40/51	S. Uncanoonuck Mtn.	5,200		5,200
40/52	S. Uncanoonuck Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/53	Beech Lane	5,000		5,000
40/54	Summit Avenue	5,000		5,000
40/56	Maple Lane	5,000		5,000
40/57	Maple Lane	5,000		5,000
40/58	Summit Road	5,000		5,000
40/59	Maple Lane	5,300		5,300
40/60	41 Crescent Lane	5,000		5,000
40/61	Chestnut Lane	5,000		5,000
40/63	Chestnut Lane	5,000		5,000
40/64	Chestnut Ln/Summit	5,200		5,200
40/65	Beech Lane	5,300		5,300
40/66	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
40/67	Beech Lane	5,000		5,000
40/68	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,100		5,100
40/69	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,100		5,100
40/70	Chestnut Lane	5,000		5,000
40/71	Chestnut Lane	5,100		5,100
40/72	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/73	off Perimeter Road	5,000		5,000
40/74	Chestnut Lane	5,400		5,400
40/76	Birch Lane	5,000		5,000
40/77	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/78	Birch Lane	5,000		5,000
40/79	Uncanoonuc Mountain	5,000		5,000
40/80	Birch Lane	5,000		5,000
40/81	Uncanoonuc Mountain	5,000		5,000
40/82	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/83	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/85	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/86	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,100		5,100
40/87	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/88	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/89	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,100		5,100
40/90	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/91	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/92	Uncanoonuc Mountain	5,100		5,100
40/93	Cedar Lane	5,000		5,000
40/94	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/95	Uncanoonuc Mountain	5,200		5,200
40/97	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/98	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,200		5,200
40/99	Pine Lane	5,300		5,300
40/101	Pine Lane	5,600		5,600
40/103	off Perimeter Road	5,000		5,000
40/104	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/105	Summit Ave.	5,400		5,400
40/106	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/107	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	5,000		5,000
40/113	Perimeter Road	144,900	74,700	219,600
40/115	S. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	163,500		163,500
40/47A	off Perimeter Road	5,100		5,100
40/50A	off Perimeter Road	5,000		5,000
41/6	Forest Avenue	10,300		10,300

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
41/7	36 Incline Avenue	11,100		11,100
41/9	Incline Avenue	10,400		10,400
41/11	Incline Avenue	7,200		7,200
41/14	Mountain/Park Ave.	12,600		12,600
41/15	Mountain Avenue	7,200		7,200
41/16	Mountain Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/17	Mountain Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/19	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,200		10,200
41/21	Park Avenue	17,200		17,200
41/22	Crown Avenue	11,000		11,000
41/23	Uncanoonuc Avenue	9,800		9,800
41/24	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,500		10,500
41/29	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/30	Incline Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/31	S. Mountain Base	10,100		10,100
41/32	Kaoka Avenue	11,700		11,700
41/33	Kaoka Avenue	15,500		15,500
41/34	Chocorua Avenue	24,800		24,800
41/35	Wonolancet Avenue	14,700		14,700
41/36	Wonolancet Avenue	27,400		27,400
41/37	*Mascoma* Avenue	19,600		19,600
41/37A	Mascoma Avenue	11,700		11,700
41/38	Chocorua Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/39	Chocorua Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/40	Chocorua Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/41	Chocorua Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/42	Chocorua Avenue	11,100		11,100
41/43	Chocorua Avenue	13,200		13,200
41/45	Kaoka Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/46	Kaoka Avenue	10,600		10,600
41/47	Kaoka Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/48	Kaoka Avenue	11,600		11,600
41/49	Kaoka Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/50	Kaoka Avenue	10,600		10,600
41/51	Mascoma Avenue	50,500		50,500
41/56	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/59	Mascoma Ave	5,100		5,100
41/61	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/62	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,100		10,100
41/69	46 Incline Avenue	51,600	17,000	68,600
41/75	S. Mtn. Base/RR Ave.	16,100		16,100

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Building Value	Total Value
41/76	Railroad Avenue	10,800		10,800
41/77	Railroad Avenue	12,800		12,800
41/78	Railroad Avenue	6,100		6,100
41/79	Mascoma Avenue	10,600		10,600
41/80	S. Mtn. Base Road	10,600		10,600
41/64A	Uncanoonuc Avenue	10,100		10,100
42/2	Railroad Avenue	11,300		11,300
42/4	Railroad Avenue	9,800		9,800
42/5	off Railroad Avenue	11,200		11,200
42/6	3 Orr St	54,100	8,700	62,800
42/12	Incline Avenue	10,100		10,100
42/15	Mountain Avenue	10,600		10,600
42/18	Mountain Avenue	12,300		12,300
42/19	Orr Street	10,600		10,600
42/22	Park Ave	13,500		13,500
42/23	Crown Avenue	14,500		14,500
42/24	Chestnut Slope	120,000		120,000
42/25	Chestnut Slope	10,500		10,500
42/28	165 Mountain Base Road	10,100		10,100
42/29	Chestnut Slope	10,000		10,000
42/30	169 Mountain Base Rd	52,400		52,400
42/31	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/32	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/33	Chestnut Slope	10,600		10,600
42/35	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/36	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/37	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/40	off Mtn. Base Road	10,500		10,500
42/41	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/42	Chestnut Slope	10,100		10,100
42/45	Lake Uncanoonuc	10,500		10,500
42/51	Railroad Avenue	6,100		6,100
43/24/1	Arrowhead Dr	75,200	20,000	95,200
TOTAL TOWN/CONSERVATION:		**$7,249,700**	**4,283,200**	**11,532,900**
GRAND TOTAL		**$11,823,900**	**29,261,200**	**41,085,100**

Assessor's Report

As required by the RSA 75:8-a, Five-Year Valuation, the Town underwent a complete update of value for the 2008 tax year. The last update of value was for the 2003 tax year. The total taxable, assessed value of the Town increased by 12.5%, $1,248,788,230 to $1,405,043,730. It is important to note that the 12.5% increase is not an increase from 2007 to 2008, but instead a five year increase from 2003 to 2008.

The Town is still in the process of a Cyclical Measure and List of all improved properties in the Town. All Commercial and Industrial properties have been completed as well as about 70% of the residential properties. It is the plan to complete the remaining properties by early 2010. The above referenced update was applied to all properties, whether they had been inspected yet or not. For those properties not inspected, the property data on file was assumed to be correct.

The Department of Revenue Administration will be conducting its five year review of the Assessing Practices of the Town of Goffstown. The review involves five criteria to insure equity and accuracy of assessments and assessing data. This review was started in November of 2008 and is expected to be concluded by the spring of 2009.

While the Assessing Office has made great strides over the last two years to bring its practices, property data and valuations up to standards, it is still in the midst of this process. As indicated above, the Cyclical Measure and List will continue. In addition, the Assessing Office will be reviewing Current Use, exemptions, credits and exempt properties. The Assessing Office will also continue to monitor property values on a regular basis. It is a tentative plan to perform another update of value for the 2010 tax year once all properties have been inspected.

The Assessing Office has improved, and is continuing to improve, the quality of its assessments without causing undue disruption to its taxpayers or large increases in the budget. The Assessing Office asks for the continued understanding and cooperation of its citizens. Assessing is an ongoing process. The participation of taxpayers in this process is not only welcomed, but encouraged.

Respectively Submitted,
Scott W. Bartlett, CNHA

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

DUE SEPTEMBER 1

City/Town: GOFFSTOWN FY 2008

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.	For Use By Municipality
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		
3180	Resident Taxes		
3185	Timber Taxes	13	5,953
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		
3189	Other Taxes		
3190	Interest & Penalties on Deliquent Taxes	13	217,854
	Inventory Penalties		
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)	13	588
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	13	5,150
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	13	2,430,727
3230	Building Permits	13	39,550
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	13	27,433
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**	13 & 15	35,824
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues	13	105,427
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	13	790,849
3353	Highway Block Grant	13	358,509
3354	Water Pollution Grant	13	47,011
3355	Housing & Community Development		
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) State Grants	13	79,459
3379	**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**	13	92,664
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments	13	586,456
3409	Other Charges	13	182,507
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.	For Use By Municipality
3502	Interest on Investments	13	105,073
3503-3509	Other	13	264,835
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds: EMS & Sewer	13 & 17	715,248
3913	From Capital Projects Fund		
3914	From Enterprise Fund		
	Sewer - (Offset)	13	1,604,492
	Water - (Offset)		
	Electric - (Offset)		
	Airport - (Offset)		
3915	From Capital Reserve Fund		
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	13	33,816
3917	From Conservation Funds		
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes	12	2,537,000
	SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES		10,266,425

General Fund Balance**	For Municipal Use	
Unreserved Fund Balance (audited)	2,837,669	
Less Emergency Approp. (RSA 32:11)	0	
Voted From "Surplus"		0
Less Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes		300,000
Fund Balance - Retained	2,537,669	
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		10,566,425

OVERLAY (RSA 76:6) $64,761

2009 Budget of the Town of Goffstown

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WAR ART. #	2008 Appropriations		2009 Appropriations			
		APROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPEND.	SELECTMEN		BUDGET COMMITTEE	
				Recom-mended	Not Reco m'd	Recom-mended	Not Recom' d
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Executive (incl. IT budget & exp incl grant awards)	10	734,642	754,949	746,859		746,859	
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics (Town Clerk)	10	235,192	218,072	218,281		218,281	
Financial Administration (incl. Tax Office budget)	10	386,598	382,978	368,623		368,623	
Revaluation of Property	10	202,983	192,449	206,262		206,262	
Legal Expense							
Personnel Administration							
Planning & Zoning & Economic Development	10	291,728	292,552	301,039		301,039	
General Government Bldgs.							
Cemeteries	10	99,589	109,449	111,957		111,957	
Insurance							
Advertising & Regional Assoc.							
Other General Government	10	22,121	16,399	20,553		20,553	
PUBLIC SAFETY		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Police (expen. incl. grant awards)	10	3,769,738	3,655,242	3,977,332		3,977,332	
Ambulance: Emergency Medical Services							

Fire (exp incl all grant awards except SAFER)	10	2,010,360	1,902,276	2,238,165		2,238,165	
Building & Health Inspection	10	122,394	98,698	133,807		133,807	
Emergency Management (exp incl grant awards)	10	3,501	12,002	3,500		3,500	
Other Public Safety (including communications)							
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Admin., Highway & Sts (exp incl grant awards)	10	3,152,590	3,027,711	3,511,278		3,511,278	
Bridges							
SANITATION		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Solid Waste Collection	10	1,093,940	1,045,267	1,077,469		1,077,469	
Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup							
Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Water Services							
Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							
ELECTRIC		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Generation							
Purchase Costs							
Electric Equipment Maintenance							
Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Pest Control							
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other							

WELFARE		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Direct Assistance	10	71,462	70,680	73,376		73,376	
Intergov. Welfare Payments							
Vendor Payments & Other							
CULTURE & RECREATION		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Parks & Recreation	10	355,962	343,208	371,088		371,088	
Library	10	617,810	611,697	653,952		653,952	
Other Culture & Recreation: Public Access TV	10	58,210	57,076	60,085		60,085	
CONSERVATION		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources							
Other Conservation							
Redevelopment & Housing							
Economic Development							
DEBT SERVICE		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	10	253,311	253,311	253,311		253,311	
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	10	69,265	69,265	58,752		58,752	
Interest on TANs	10	1	0	1		1	
Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
Land & Improvements (incl. Road Plan Improv.)	10	2,037,000	1,647,338	2,316,627		2,316,627	
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	10	677,899	571,473	397,000		397,000	
Buildings	10	122,000	90,855	35,210		35,210	
Improv. Other than Land & Bldgs.	10	213,000	123,943	174,500		174,500	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxx	xxxxxx	xxx
To Special Revenue Fund: EMS	10	363,295	328,939	399,038		399,038	

To Capital Projects Fund							
To Enterprise Fund - Sewer	10	1,651,503	1,188,186	1,654,293		1,654,293	
To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
To Agency Funds							
SUBTOTAL 1	10	18,616,094	17,064,015	19,362,358	xxx	19,362,358	xxx
FIREFIGHTERS CONTRACT		73,078	73,078				
AMBULANCE FROM EMS SRF		185,000	157,445				
RED CROSS		2,150	2,150				
MAIN STREET PROGRAM	12	15,000	15,000	15,000		15,000	
LAND ACQUISITION (LIBRARY)	13			300,000		300,000	
SUBTOTAL 2		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	315,000	xxx	315,000	xxx
BOND FOR LYNCHVILLE-DANIS WATER		2,537,000	0				
FIREFIGHTER / EMT "SAFER" GRANT		72,274	72,274				
FIRE APPARATUS CRF	11	420,000	420,000	500,000			500,000
SUBTOTAL 3		xxxxxx	xxxxxx	500,000	xxx	0	xxx

2009 Budget of the Town of Goffstown

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SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art.#	Est. Revenue Prior Year (from MS4)	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Est. Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year
TAXES		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Land Use Change Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes	10	5,953	5,180	6,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)	10	588	288	1,000
Other Taxes				
Interest & Penalties on Deliquent Taxes	10	217,854	253,693	195,000
INVENTORY PENALTIES				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Business Licenses & Permits	10	5,150	3,314	5,150
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	10	2,430,727	2,421,637	2,526,900
Building Permits	10	39,550	40,524	40,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	10	27,433	27,701	28,800
FROM FEDERAL GOV. (FEMA & other)	10	35,824	86,860	71,680
FROM STATE		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Shared Revenues	10	105,427	116,137	105,427
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	10	790,849	790,849	790,849
Highway Block Grant	10	358,509	357,280	358,509
Water Pollution Grant	10	47,011	47,011	44,976
Housing & Community Development				
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
Flood Control Reimbursement				
Other (Including Railroad Tax) State Grants	10	79,459	77,411	50,211
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	10	92,664	48,095	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Income from Departments	10	586,456	551,405	487,624
Other Charges	10	182,507	195,005	173,208
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Sale of Municipal Property	10	0	1,750	5,000
Interest on Investments	10	105,073	67,972	110,000
Other	10	264,835	324,470	270,730

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Special Revenue Funds: EMS & Sewer	10	715,248	700,500	605,768
Capital Projects Fund				
Enterprise Fund				
Sewer - (Offset)	10	1,604,492	1,604,492	1,609,317
Water - (Offset)				
Electric - (Offset)				
Capital Reserve Fund				
Trust & Agency Funds	10 & 13	33,816	27,981	344,810
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		2,537,000	0	0
Amounts Voted from "Surplus"		xxxxxxxx		
"Surplus" Used in Prior Yr to Reduce Taxes		300,000	300,000	xxxxxxxx
TOTAL REVENUES		10,566,425	8,049,555	7,830,959

BUDGET SUMMARY	SELECTMAN	BUDGET COMM.
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended	19,362,358	19,362,358
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles	315,000	315,000
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by Law	500,000	0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended *	20,177,358	19,677,358
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes)	7,830,959	7,830,959
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	12,346,399	11,846,399

Unaudited revenues (prepared on 1/21/09).

Maxable allowable increase to Budget Committee's recommended budget per RSA 32:18 is $1,905,030. (See supplemental schedule with 10% calculation)

2008 Tax Rate Calculation

	Town Portion		
Appropriations	21,920,596		
Less: Revenues	(10,566,425)		
Shared Revenues	(111,651)		
Add: Overlay	64,761		
Add: War Service Credits	455,925		
Net Town Appropriation		11,763,206	
Municipal Tax Rate			**8.37**
	School Portion		
Net Local School Budget	24,923,257		
Less:			
Adequate Education Grant	(6,463,633)		
State Education Taxes	(3,445,976)		
Net School Appropriation		15,013,648	
Local Education Rate			**10.69**
State Education Taxes		3,445,976	
State **Education Rate**			**2.50**
	County Portion		
Due to County	1,601,726		
Less: Shared Revenues	(15,195)		
Approved County Tax Effort		1,586,531	
County Tax Rate			**1.13**
Total Tax Rate			**22.69**
Total Taxes Assessed			31,809,361
Less: War Service Credits			(455,925)
Total Property Tax Commitment			**31,353,436**

Proof of Rate	**Net Valuation**	**Tax Rate**	**Tax Assessment**
State Education Tax	1,376,611,730	2.50	3,445,976
All Other Taxes	1,405,043,730	20.19	28,363,385
			31,809,361

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

DEBIT

	Levies of: 2008	2007
Uncollected Taxes at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		$1,684,844
Land Use Change Tax		$25,550
Yield Taxes		
Taxes Committed This Year:		
Property Taxes	$31,384,735	
Land Use Change Tax	$38,500	
Yield Taxes	$5,180	
Excavation Tax	$288	
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	$30,923	$3,546
Interest and Cost Collected on Delinquent Tax:	$21,236	$43,879
TOTAL DEBITS:	**$31,480,862**	**$1,757,819**

CREDIT

Remittance to Treasurer:	2008	2007
Property Taxes	$29,914,960	$1,153,389
Land Use Change Tax	$30,500	$25,550
Yield Taxes	$4,759	
Excavation Taxes	$288	
Interest & Costs	$21,236	$43,879
Conversion to Lien		$508,611
Abatements Made:		
Timber Taxes		
Property Taxes	$6,651	$4,269
Deferrals		$22,121
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	$1,494,047	
Land Use Change Tax	$8,000	
Yield Tax	$421	
TOTAL CREDITS:	**$31,480,862**	**$1,757,819**

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)
SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

DEBIT

	Levies of: 2007	2006	2003-2005
Unredeemed Lien Balance At Beginning of Fiscal Year		$287,609	$129,614
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year:	$572,025		
Interest & Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	$20,301	$39,661	$45,214
Refunds of Liened Properties	$5,157	$5,331	$10,059
TOTAL DEBITS:	**$597,483**	**$332,600**	**$184,887**

CREDIT

Remittance to Treasurer	2007	2006	2003-2005
Redemptions:	$351,087	$185,537	$127,724
Interest/Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	$20,301	$39,661	$45,214
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	$4,735	$5,543	$10,584
Liens Deeded to Municipality:			
Unredeemed Lien Balance at End of Year	$221,360	$101,859	$1,365
TOTAL CREDITS:	**$597,483**	**$332,600**	**$184,887**

2008 PROPERTY TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2008 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2009
Once again, the Tax Office wishes to thank the taxpayers of Goffstown for all of your cooperation in 2008. We are looking forward to serving you in the coming year.

Gail L. Lavallee, Tax Collector

General Fund Balance Sheet

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/08

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS		
Cash and cash equivalents	$	10,609,778
Investments		208,559
Taxes receivable		1,903,388
Accounts receivable		5,098
Overlay		(183,117)
Due from other governments		317,102
Due from others		223,485
Total Assets and Other Debts	$	13,084,293
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$	386,875
Due to School District		8,159,624
Other liabilities and accrued expenses		53,954
Total Liabilities	$	8,600,453
Equity and Other Credits:		
Fund Balances:		
Reserved for encumbrances	$	842,643
Unreserved – undesignated		3,641,197
Total Equity and Other Credits	$	4,483,840
Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	$	13,084,293

EMS Special Revenue Fund Balance Sheet

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/08

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS		
Assets:		
Cash	$	359,554
Total Assets	$	359,554
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$	161,322
Payroll Taxes		4,763
Due to General Fund at FYE		21,681
Total Liabilities	$	187,766
Fund Balances:		
Unreserved – undesignated	$	171,788
Total Fund Balance	$	171,788
Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	$	359,554

Treasury Report

Unaudited for Year Ending December 31, 2008

Cash on Hand – January 1, 2008	$11,468,281.86
Deposits, Transfers & Adjustments	38,701,864.47
TOTAL CASH	50,170,146.33
Disbursements, Transfers, & Adjustments	39,352,813.13
Cash on Hand – December 31, 2008	$10,817,333.20

Citizens Bank	$10,608,774.11
MBIA	46,802.11
Bank of America	161,756.98
	$10,817,333.20

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE

1990 GO Bond – Sewer

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2009	105,000	17,719	122,719
2010	105,000	10,631	115,631
2011	105,000	3,544	108,544
Total	315,000	31,894	346,894

1991 GO Bond – Sewer

2009	25,000	2,363	27,363
2010	25,000	788	25,788
Total	50,000	3,150	53,150

1998 GO Bond – Sewer

2009	55,000	13,363	68,363
2010	55,000	10,750	65,750
2011	55,000	8,000	63,000
2012	55,000	5,250	60,250
2013	50,000	2,500	52,500
Total	270,000	39,863	309,863

2001 GO Bond – Sewer

2009	75,000	27,488	102,488
2010	75,000	24,206	99,206
2011	75,000	20,831	95,831
2012	75,000	17,456	92,456
2013	75,000	14,081	89,081
2014	75,000	10,631	85,631
2015	75,000	7,163	82,163
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
Total	600,000	125,456	725,456

SEWER FUND TOTALS:

2009	260,000	60,931	320,931
2010	260,000	46,375	306,375
2011	235,000	32,375	267,375
2012	130,000	22,706	152,706
2013	125,000	16,581	141,581
2014	75,000	10,631	85,631
2015	75,000	7,163	82,163
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
Total	1,235,000	200,363	1,435,363

2001 Landfill Closure Bond

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2009	164,000	48,905	212,905
2010	164,000	42,792	206,792
2011	164,000	36,679	200,679
2012	164,000	30,566	194,566
2013	164,000	24,452	188,452
2014	164,000	18,339	182,339
2015	164,000	12,226	176,226
2016	164,000	6,113	170,113
Total	1,312,000	220,072	1,532,072

2001 Supplemental Landfill Closure

2009	4,310.78	1,347.23	5,658.01
2010	4,310.78	1,197.53	5,508.31
2011	4,310.78	1,047.84	5,358.62
2012	4,310.78	898.15	5,208.93
2013	4,310.78	748.46	5,059.24
2014	4,310.77	598.77	4,909.54
2015	4,310.77	449.07	4,759.84
2016	4,310.77	299.38	4,610.15
2017	4,310.77	149.69	4,460.46
Total	38,796.98	6,736.12	45,533.10

2004 Municipal Curbside Recycling

2009	85,000	8,500	93,500
2010	85,000	4,250	89,250
Total	170,000	12,750	182,750

GENERAL FUND TOTALS:

2009	253,311	58,752	312,063
2010	253,311	48,240	301,550
2011	168,311	37,727	206,038
2012	168,311	31,464	199,775
2013	168,311	25,200	193,511
2014	168,311	18,938	187,249
2015	168,311	12,675	180,986
2016	168,311	6,412	174,723
2017	4,311	150	4,460
Total	1,520,797	239,558	1,760,355

Town Clerk's Office

During 2008, the Town Clerk's Office underwent personnel changes and office consolidation, received grant equipment, implemented new State Motor Vehicle registrations and coordinated five elections.

On March 17th, Cathy Ball was sworn into office as the newly elected Town Clerk. Shortly afterward, two existing part-time clerk's positions were combined into a full-time position to fill a recurring clerk vacancy. Veteran part-time clerk, Karen LeClerc, accepted the full time position and was appointed Deputy Town Clerk. Registration Clerk, Stephanie Barrett was recognized for her exemplary performance and promoted to Clerk II.

The Town Clerk's Office relocated from Room 210 back into the Registration Office, Room 201. The relocation of the Town Clerk allows for the consolidation of records, equipment and supplies. Most importantly, the Town Clerk is available in the front office, daily, to welcome newcomers to the community, assist co-workers with office tasks, perform vital records searches and produce Motor Vehicle registrations.

In April, the Town Clerk's Office received two Fire King storage cabinets from a portion of the 2006 Vital Records Improvement Fund Grant Program. The grant made available up to $10,000 to each community for the conservation of vital records, for the improvement of facilities and the purchase of equipment that will enhance the preservation of vital records. The 892 pound insulated storage cabinets have a (UL) Class 350 one hour fire rating and meet the 30-foot drop/impact test. The grant paid the entire cost of $2,150 for each cabinet and $1,000 for delivery. The heavy weight of the cabinets affected the cost of delivery and the placement of the two cabinets. Locating each cabinet on the second floor, within the Town Clerk's Office, had to be reviewed and approved by an structural engineer. After several delivery attempts up the stairs, the cabinets were successfully placed in the Town Clerk's Office on separate load bearing walls.

On September 9th, Goffstown began the issuance of the newly designed NH Division of Motor Vehicle registration forms. This initiative is part of the Municipal Agent Automation Project to implement new laser printers with redesigned, modern registration certificates. The 8.5 by 3.75 inch black and white registrations replace the blue and white 5.5 by 5.5 inch registrations previously issued. Key benefits include certificates printed

with bar codes for accurate scanning by State and local law enforcement and inspection stations.

Goffstown held five elections during 2008, with the largest voter turnouts for the Presidential Primary, January 8th, and the State General Election/Presidential Election, November 4th. The Presidential Primary had 6923 ballots cast representing 56% of registered voters. The State General Election/Presidential Election had 9130 ballots cast representing 71% of registered voters. A record 943 absentee ballots were mailed out for the Presidential Election.

On Tuesday, November 4th, voters enjoyed favorable weather and a reasonable wait in voting lines at Goffstown High School and Bartlett Elementary School. Josh Skersey, an Eagle Scout candidate, organized a team of sixty volunteers throughout the day, to manage lines, help people with disabilities and assist anyone with logistical questions or directions. Extra poll workers were on hand to register new voters and expedite registered voters through the checklist and into a voting booth.

I'd like to extend a heartfelt "thank-you" to everyone in the community that made the November 4th Election and my first months in office, as Town Clerk, a positive experience!

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Ball, Town Clerk

2008 Town Clerk Transactions

Account	Fee Income
Motor Vehicle Fees	$2,429,041.32
Boat Fees	$5,410.61
Vital Record Fees	$4,379.00
Dog Licenses & Fees	$8,276.00
License, Permit & Filing Fees	$5,545.43
TOTAL	**$2,452,652.36**

Supervisors of Checklist

2008 was a very challenging and a very exciting year for us. Challenging because of the five elections we had to deal with beginning on January eighth with the Presidential Primary with nearly a thousand new registrations and a record turnout. February fifth brought a special election, followed by the Town election on March 11, the State Primary on September ninth, and, of course, the Presidential election on November fourth. Once again a record turnout (70%) and nearly a thousand new registrations on election day and hundreds in the weeks preceding the election.

Having been so busy in '08, some chores had to be postponed. The Town election in March is the only one scheduled in 2009 which will give us the time to work on bringing the checklist up to date. All new registrants have been entered into the statewide system, along with all the name, address, and party changes that voters reported to us. We will be concentrating on deleting voters who have passed away or moved out of Goffstown and registered to vote in other towns around New Hampshire and around the country. The other project we want to accomplish is to make sure all of our files are in good order and up to date. We are truly looking forward to completing these tasks which are a major part of our responsibility.

Supervisors of the Checklist
Suzanne Tremblay, Chair

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS



L-R: Earl Carrel, Kenneth Rose, and Calvin Pratt

The difficult economic times in 2008 have affected the investments of our trust funds in 2008. This has been evident in the returns that we have seen on our portfolio as well as the ability of our citizens to be able to contribute. Following are the contributions received in 2008: $50 from Ryanwood Village Condo Assoc. for Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Fund; $500 from Goffstown Heritage Commission, $500 from Knights of Columbus and $2,000 from an anonymous donor for Grasmere Statue Fund.

None of the gifts that we receive should go unrecognized nor should the generosity of past benefactors to our Town. Their kindness has made our lives and those of future generations that much richer. The Trustees of the Trust Funds wish to thank all of our benefactors for their kindness and thoughtfulness.

We should also recognize the foresight and commitment of the taxpayers of the town. Previously approved warrant articles have allowed the school district to begin significant renovations to the Bartlett Elementary School. Additional allocations were set aside for that project in 2008, as well as a significant allocation for future acquisition of badly needed replacement of fire apparatus.

During the year 2008 US Trust, now part of Bank of America Private Wealth Management continued to provide financial planning services, as Agents for the Trustees of the Trust Funds per an agreement dated April 30, 1992. These services cover the portion of the common investment funds under the custody of the Trustees. The Trustees believe that the agents at US Trust have positioned our current investment portfolio so that it will continue to generate a positive yield for the present and into the future. These assets are managed as a common pool of assets, then allocated among the various funds.

The various capital reserve funds are maintained in separate accounts and are managed with a primary objective to preserve capital and at the same time generate a reasonable return.The Report of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, as represented on the following pages, details the various Trust Fund Accounts that were under the custody of the Trustees as of December 31, 2008.

Kenneth Rose, Earl Carrel, Calvin Pratt

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
DECEMBER 31, 2008

	DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Beginning %	PRINCIPAL: ORIGINAL BALANCE AT COST	PRINCIPAL: BEGINNING BALANCE	PRINCIPAL: Reallocation	PRINCIPAL: ADDITIONS/ NEW FUNDS	PRINCIPAL: CUMULATIVE LOSS OR GAIN ON SECURITIES	PRINCIPAL: CURRENT GAIN OR LOSS ON SECURITIES	PRINCIPAL: WITH-DRAWALS	PRINCIPAL: BALANCE YEAR END AT COST	INCOME: BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME: Journal	INCOME: GAIN/LOSS INCOME CURRENT	INCOME: ALLOCATED EXPENSES	INCOME: INCOME EXPENDED	INCOME: BALANCE YEAR END	TOTAL: PRINCIPAL AND INCOME
1	1897	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0 06975	39,645.62	62,062.84				(165.94)	-	61,896.90	1,958.77		2,831.43	185.38		4,604.82	66,501.71
2	1960	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0 03096	17,597.00	27,547.42				(73.66)	-	27,473.76	6,798.26		1,256.77	82.28		7,972.74	35,446.51
		TOTAL			0.10072	57,242.62	89,610.26	-	-	-	(239.60)	-	89,370.66	8,757.03		4,088.19	267.66	-	12,577.56	101,948.22
5		1957 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
3		Unknown		Common	0 00130	219.04	1,157.73			841.30	(3.10)	-	1,154.63	243.42		52.82	3.46		292.78	1,447.41
4		Lovell Fund		Common	0 00065	110.00	581.33			422.44	(1.55)	-	579.78	34.72		26.52	1.74	18.00	41.50	621.28
5		Herman Koening		Common	0 00059	100.00	528.45			384.01	(1.41)	-	527.04	32.21		24.11	1.58	29.00	25.74	552.78
6		Robert St. Pierre		Common	0 00030	50.00	264.22			191.99	(0.71)	-	263.51	21.77		12.05	0.79	9.00	24.04	287.55
7		Cora Cook		Common	0 00030	50.00	264.22			191.99	(0.71)	-	263.51	21.77		12.05	0.79	9.00	24.04	287.55
8		Edgar S Rodes		Common	0 00119	200.00	1,056.95			768.03	(2.83)	-	1,054.12	54.08		48.22	3.16	54.00	45.14	1,099.27
9		Beverly Eaton		Common	0 00027	46.00	243.09			176.65	(0.65)	-	242.44	20.32		11.09	0.73	8.00	22.65	265.12
10		Lorenzo Bean		Common	0 00089	150.00	792.69			576.01	(2.12)	-	790.57	43.15		36.16	2.37	34.00	42.95	833.52
11		Emily Harden		Common	0 00030	50.00	264.15			191.97	(0.71)	-	263.44	21.76		12.05	0.79	9.00	24.02	287.47
		TOTAL OF 1957 FUND			0 00579	975.04	5,152.83	-	-	3,744.39	(13.78)	-	5,139.05	493.20		235.08	15.39	170.00	542.89	5,681.94
		1977 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
12		Mrs Ricard Daneault		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
13		Joseph A. Smith		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
14		Mrs. Clifford Stone		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
15		Mrs. Clarence Hunter		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
16		Joseph P. Smith		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.59			364.22	(0.73)	-	272.77	21.89		12.48	0.82	10.00	23.55	296.32
17		Mrs Peter Boetsky		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
18		Christie Karanikas		Common	0 00048	275.00	430.48			573.00	(1.15)	-	429.33	28.14		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.49	453.82
19		Mrs Francis O'Brian		Common	0 00097	550.00	861.02			1,146.04	(2.30)	-	858.72	45.58		39.28	2.57	43.00	39.29	898.01
20		Mrs H Duane Rowley		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
21		Elmer Nickerson		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
22		Stanley M. Gordon		Common	0 00048	275.00	430.48			572.99	(1.15)	-	429.33	28.14		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.49	453.82
23		Arthur Blouin		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
24		Phillip Shepard		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.97			364.65	(0.73)	-	273.24	21.93		12.50	0.82	10.00	23.61	296.85
25		Alber W. Hill Jr		Common	0 00011	60.00	93.92			125.01	(0.25)	-	93.67	10.97		4.28	0.28	10.00	4.97	98.64
26		Mrs. Carl Friberg		Common	0 00031	175.00	273.81			364.67	(0.73)	-	273.08	21.93		12.49	0.82	10.00	23.60	296.68
		TOTAL OF 1977 FUND			0 00543	3,085.00	4,828.94	-	-	6,427.78	(12.91)	-	4,816.03	354.02		220.31	14.42	207.00	352.90	5,168.93
		1978 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
27		Harry E. Batty		Common	0 00031	175 00	273.03			75.07	(0.73)	-	272.30	21.84		12.46	0.82	10.00	23.48	295.78
28		Robert S. Hams		Common	0 00150	850.00	1,330.63			368.71	(3.56)	-	1,327.07	65.27		60.71	3.97	62.00	60.00	1,387.07
29		Mrs. Alan McKeman		Common	0 00048	275 00	430 48			119.27	(1.15)	-	429.33	28.14		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.49	453.82
30		Edith Colcord Estate		Common	0 00044	250 00	391.37			108.45	(1.05)	-	390.32	26.55		17.86	1.17	19.00	24.24	414.56
31		Carl P Barton		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.82	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.80		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.16	571.61
32		David L Borque		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.82	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.80		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.16	571.61
33		Howard A. Thayer		Common	0 00075	425.00	665.33			184.35	(1.78)	-	663.55	37.89		30.35	1.99	43.00	23.26	686.81
34		Joseph P Goudreault		Common	0 00018	100.00	156.55			43.39	(0.42)	-	156.13	18.28		7.14	0.47	10.00	14.89	171.09
		TOTAL OF 1978 FUND			0 00488	2,775.00	4,343.21	-	-	1,202.88	(11.61)	-	4,331.60	263.57		198.15	12.97	228.00	220.74	4,552.34
		1979 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
35		Gardner Brown		Common	0 00062	350 00	547.91			151.83	(1 47)	-	546 44	32 81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571.62
36		Docas O'Neil		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.83	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571.62
37		Doris Purvis		Common	0 00035	200 00	313.07			86 73	(0.84)	-	312.23	23.46		14.28	0.94	13.00	23.81	336.04
38		Hammon Woodbury Jr.		Common	0 00075	425.00	665.34			184.37	(1.78)	-	663.56	37.34		30.35	1.99	23.00	42.71	706.27
39		Arthur Bard		Common	0 00075	425.00	665.34			184.37	(1.78)	-	663.56	37.34		30.35	1.99	23.00	42.71	706.27
40		Mrs Roy Durmer		Common	0 00062	350.00	547 91			151 83	(1 47)	-	546 44	32 81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571 62
41		Mrs Bertrand Bourgault		Common	0 00048	275 00	430.49			119 28	(1.15)	-	429 34	28.14		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.49	453 83
42		Donald E. Hall		Common	0 00097	550.00	861.02			238.56	(2.30)	-	858 72	45.84		39.28	2.57	43.00	39.55	898.27
43		John Hadfield Jr.		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.83	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571.62
44		Clinton E. Smith		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151 83	(1 47)	-	546.44	32 81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571.62
45		Luther M. Jackson		Common	0 00062	350 00	547.91			151.83	(1 47)	-	546 44	32 81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571 62
46		Mrs. Donovan Stevens		Common	0 00066	375.00	587.06			162.67	(1.57)	-	585.49	32.18		26.78	1.75	34.00	23.21	608.70
47		Mrs. Ralph Foss		Common	0 00053	300.00	469.64			130.13	(1.26)	-	468.38	29.72		21.43	1.40	25.00	24.74	493.13
48		Joseph P Goudreault		Common	0 00018	100.00	156 55			43 38	(0.42)	-	156.13	18 17		7.14	0 47	10.00	14 84	170 98
49		Mrs. Robert Beauchemin		Common	0 00048	275 00	430 55			119.29	(1.15)	-	429.40	28.18		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.54	453.94
		TOTAL OF 1979 FUND			0 00884	5,025.00	7,866.52	-	-	2,179.78	(21.03)	-	7,845.49	477.23		358.89	23.50	491.00	411.62	8,257.11
		1980 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
50		Arthur Grant		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.83	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.81		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.17	571 62
51		Peter Jenkins		Common	0 00053	300.00	469 62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
52		John Fletcher		Common	0 00053	300 00	469 62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468 36	29 71		21.42	1 40	25.00	24.73	493.10
53		Mr. Phillip Nault		Common	0 00048	275.00	430.50			119 30	(1.15)	-	429.35	28.16		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.51	453 86
54		John Hills		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.83	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.80		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.16	571 61
55		Marvin Akerly		Common	0 00062	350.00	547.91			151.83	(1.47)	-	546.44	32.80		25.00	1.64	31.00	25.16	571 61
56		Albert Wakefield		Common	0 00053	300.00	469 59			130.09	(1.26)	-	468.33	29 70		21.42	1 40	25.00	24.72	493.06
57		Marjorie Stanyan		Common	0 00053	300.00	469 62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
58		Despou Kokulis		Common	0 00053	300.00	469 62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468 36	29 71		21.42	1 40	25.00	24.73	493.10
59		Alice Vincent		Common	0 00053	300.00	469.62			130 12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
60		John Parker		Common	0 00106	600.00	939 30			260.26	(2.51)	-	936.79	48.64		42.85	2.81	46.00	42.89	979 68
61		William Goss		Common	0 00088	500.00	782.74			216.87	(2.09)	-	780.65	42.32		35.71	2.34	34.00	41.69	822 34
62		Arol Charbonneau		Common	0 00018	100.00	156 58			43 38	(0 42)	-	156.14	18 28		7.14	0 47	12.00	12.95	169 10
		TOTAL OF 1980 FUND			0 00781	4,325.00	6,770.52	-	-	1,875.99	(18.10)	-	6,752.42	414.26		308.88	20.22	357.00	345.92	7,098.34

	DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Beginning %	PRINCIPAL ORIGINAL BALANCE AT COST	BEGINNING BALANCE	Reallocation	ADDITIONS/ NEW FUNDS	CUMULATIVE LOSS OR GAIN ON SECURITIES	CURRENT LOSS OR GAIN ON SECURITIES	WITH-DRAWALS	BALANCE YEAR END AT COST	INCOME BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	Journal	GAIN/LOSS INCOME CURRENT	ALLOCATED EXPENSES	INCOME EXPENDED	BALANCE YEAR END	TOTAL PRINCIPAL AND INCOME
		1981 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
63		Alfred & Helen Duval		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.72		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.74	493.11
64		Avil Charbonneau		Common	0.00035	200.00	313.08			86.74	(0.84)	-	312.24	23.47		14.28	0.94	13.00	23.82	336.06
65		Pauline Emery		Common	0.00026	150.00	234.81			65.06	(0.63)	-	234.18	20.35		10.71	0.70	10.00	20.36	254.54
66		Reul B. Hall		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
67		Byron Rollins		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
68		Dana R. Chase		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
69		George E. Holden		Common	0.00031	175.00	274.28			76.19	(0.73)	-	273.55	21.97		12.51	0.82	10.00	23.68	297.21
70		Thelma Depllich		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.72		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.74	493.11
		TOTAL 1981 FUND			0.00358	2,025.00	3,170.27	-	-	878.59	(8.48)	-	3,181.79	214.36		144.63	9.47	158.00	191.52	3,353.32
		1982 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
71		J & R Coughlin		Common	0.00123	700.00	1,095.81			308.77	(2.93)	-	1,092.88	54.93		49.99	3.27	65.00	36.65	1,129.53
72		Raymond Brian		Common	0.00046	275.00	430.59			119.30	(1.15)	-	429.35	28.16		19.64	1.29	22.00	24.51	453.66
73		Evelyn Bissonnette		Common	0.00114	650.00	1,017.53			281.94	(2.72)	-	1,014.81	52.09		46.42	3.04	52.00	43.47	1,058.28
74		Ray Dumer		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			130.12	(1.26)	-	468.36	29.71		21.42	1.40	25.00	24.73	493.10
75		Ethel C. Stone		Common	0.00035	200.00	313.08			86.74	(0.84)	-	312.24	23.47		14.28	0.94	13.00	23.82	336.06
76		Jane Sherman		Common	0.00026	150.00	234.81			65.06	(0.63)	-	234.18	20.35		10.71	0.70	7.00	23.36	257.54
		TOTAL 1982 FUND			0.00400	2,275.00	3,561.35	-	-	991.93	(9.52)	-	3,551.83	208.71		162.48	10.64	184.00	176.55	3,728.38
77	Various	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00840	4,775.00	7,475.49			2,071.65	(19.99)	-	7,455.50	1,934.30		341.05	22.33		2,253.02	9,708.52
78	Various	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.04293	24,395.21	38,191.90			10,584.05	(102.12)	-	38,089.78	10,245.92		1,742.39	114.08		11,874.23	49,964.01
79		Bessie Emery		Common	0.00870	4,946.49	7,743.99			2,146.07	(20.71)	-	7,723.28	1,337.16		353.30	23.13	500.00	1,167.32	8,890.61
80		Ethel Graer		Common	0.02589	14,714.78	23,036.71			6,384.12	(61.60)	-	22,975.11	2,524.49		1,050.98	68.81	1,250.00	2,256.66	25,231.77
81		T. Butterfield		Common	0.00176	1,000.00	1,565.53			433.84	(4.19)	-	1,561.34	74.08		71.42	4.68	161.00	(20.17)	1,541.17
82	1957	Surplus Revenue A/C	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00053	300.00	471.95			132.26	(1.26)	-	470.69	54.90		21.53	1.41		75.02	545.71
83	1983	John Sellers Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00018	100.00	156.57			43.38	(0.42)	-	156.15	18.28		7.14	0.47	7.00	17.96	174.11
		TOTAL			0.08839	50,231.48	78,642.14	-	-	21,795.37	(210.27)	-	78,431.87	16,189.13		3,587.81	234.90	1,918.00	17,624.03	96,055.90
		1983 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
84		Fred A. Hamilton		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.65			130.15	(1.26)	-	468.39	29.73		21.43	1.40	25.00	24.75	493.15
85		Kenneth Harden		Common	0.00123	700.00	1,095.90			313.71	(2.93)	-	1,092.97	54.90		50.00	3.27	68.00	33.62	1,126.59
86		Gerald McNeil		Common	0.00079	450.00	703.31			194.15	(1.88)	-	701.43	38.78		32.09	2.10	25.00	43.77	745.20
87		Mrs. R H. Rogers		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.65			130.15	(1.26)	-	468.39	29.73		21.43	1.40	25.00	24.75	493.15
88		Robert Wike, Sr.		Common	0.00066	375.00	587.07			162.69	(1.57)	-	585.50	34.40		26.78	1.75	34.00	25.43	610.93
89		Henry Wagner		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.76			130.24	(1.26)	-	468.50	29.72		21.43	1.40	25.00	24.75	493.25
90		Mrs. John Scanlon		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.65			130.15	(1.26)	-	468.39	29.72		21.43	1.40	25.00	24.74	493.14
		TOTAL OF 1983 FUND			0.00479	2,725.00	4,264.99	-	-	1,191.24	(11.40)	-	4,253.59	246.98		194.58	12.74	227.00	201.82	4,455.40
		1984 Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care																	
91		Virginia Boulet		Common	0.00031	175.00	272.33			74.44	(0.73)	-	271.60	21.74		12.42	0.81	10.00	23.35	294.95
92		Leslie/Yvonne Fellows		Common	0.00101	575.00	894.90			244.62	(2.39)	-	892.51	46.57		40.83	2.67	43.00	41.72	934.23
93		Mrs. Richard Kahle		Common	0.00066	375.00	583.62			159.53	(1.56)	-	582.06	33.97		26.63	1.74	34.00	24.65	606.91
94		Alfred F. Lively		Common	0.00101	575.00	894.90			244.62	(2.39)	-	892.51	46.57		40.83	2.67	43.00	41.72	934.23
95		Gloria P. McKenne		Common	0.00052	300.00	466.90			127.63	(1.25)	-	465.65	29.39		21.30	1.39	25.00	24.30	489.95
96		Lorenzo J. Perry		Common	0.00026	150.00	233.45			63.80	(0.62)	-	232.83	20.19		10.65	0.70	7.00	23.14	255.97
97		Wilfred s. Whittier		Common	0.00099	565.00	879.33			240.36	(2.35)	-	876.98	46.25		40.12	2.63	42.00	41.74	918.72
98		Julian Vanoudenhover		Common	0.00066	375.00	583.62			159.52	(1.56)	-	582.06	33.97		26.63	1.74	34.00	24.65	606.91
99		Mrs. John Loveren		Common	0.00031	175.00	272.40			74.47	(0.73)	-	271.67	21.76		12.43	0.81	10.00	23.37	295.05
100		Albert Gilbert		Common	0.00066	375.00	583.62			159.54	(1.56)	-	582.06	33.97		26.63	1.74	34.00	24.65	606.91
101		J & P Gaudreault		Common	0.00066	375.00	583.62			159.54	(1.56)	-	582.06	33.97		26.63	1.74	34.00	24.65	606.91
		TOTAL OF 1984 FUND			0.00702	4,015.00	6,248.69	-	-	1,708.07	(16.71)	-	6,231.98	368.35		285.08	18.66	316.00	318.76	6,550.74
102	1989	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00336	2,150.00	2,985.74			584.58	(7.98)	-	2,977.76	613.19		136.22	8.92		740.49	3,718.24
103	1993	K. Holter/Westlawn Cemetery*	Perpetual Care	Common	0.06985	40,000.00	62,149.96	1,211.49		7,994.51	(166.18)	-	63,194.87	2,771.62	(1,211.49)	2,835.38	185.64	1,500.00	2,709.87	65,904.75
		* 1/2 of Income to be returned to principal annually									-									
104	1952	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.01849	3,345.00	16,451.12			11,722.28	(43.99)	-	16,407.13	4,256.49		750.53	49.14		4,957.88	21,365.02
105	1955	Cemetery Fund		Common	0.00741	1,867.65	6,597.26			4,174.65	(17.64)	-	6,579.62	1,879.71		300.98	19.71		2,160.98	8,740.60
106	Unknown	Ethel Greer Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00095	1,325.00	841.33			(554.44)	(2.25)	-	839.08	44.42		38.38	2.51	100.00	(19.71)	819.37
107	Unknown	Cemetery Fund	Perpetual Care	Common	0.00027	70.00	237.86			147.84	(0.64)	-	237.22	27.72		10.85	0.71		37.68	275.09
108	1955	Cemetery Fund		Common	0.02503	2,783.65	22,266.13			17,608.91	(59.54)	-	22,206.59	5,615.49		1,014.81	66.51		6,564.81	28,771.40
		TOTAL			0.12535	51,541.30	111,529.00	1,211.49	-	41,678.33	(298.21)	-	112,442.28	15,208.64	(1,211.49)	5,088.17	333.14	1,600.00	17,152.18	129,594.47
		Flower Funds																		
115	1984	Ethel Greer Fund	Flowers	Common	0.00108	600.00	939.29			260.26	(2.51)	-	936.78	328.83		42.85	2.81	68.66	300.22	1,237.00
116	Unknown	Cemetery Flower Fund		Common	0.00905	4,305.52	8,050.17			2,067.48	(21.52)	-	8,028.65	2,327.00		367.26	24.05	68.66	2,601.56	10,630.20
117	1993	K. Holter Flower Fund		Common	0.00073	500.00	651.00			96.24	(1.74)	-	649.26	(262.25)		29.70	1.94	68.66	(303.15)	346.10
118	1995	Marion S. Foss Fund		Common	0.00150	1,000.00	1,331.18			330.50	(3.56)	-	1,327.62	97.88		60.73	3.98	68.66	85.97	1,413.60
119	1987	Woodeson/Greer Flower Fund		Common	0.00166	1,000.00	1,479.33			256.39	(3.96)	-	1,475.37	1,550.63		67.49	4.42	68.66	1,545.04	3,020.42
120	1983	Roy Durmer Fund		Common	0.00053	300.00	469.62			112.53	(1.26)	-	468.36	297.82		21.42	1.40	68.66	249.18	717.55
121	1983	Verna Bartlett Fund	Gravestone	Common	0.00035	200.00	313.08			86.74	(0.84)	-	312.24	174.34		14.28	0.94	68.66	119.03	431.27
122	1983	Ethel Cilley Stone Fund	Flowers	Common	0.00035	200.00	313.08			69.15	(0.84)	-	312.24	102.27		14.28	0.94	68.66	46.96	359.20
123	1996	M/M Clayton Sargent Fund		Common	0.00075	500.00	665.59			109.60	(1.78)	-	663.81	63.49		30.37	1.99	68.66	23.21	687.02
124	Unknown	Ethel Greer Gravestone Fund		Common	0.00016	100.00	156.56			41.24	(0.42)	-	156.14	555.01		7.14	0.47	68.66	493.02	649.17
125	1989	Beasle Emery/Westlawn Cemetary		Common	0.00047	300.00	416.59			88.86	(1.11)	-	415.48	49.45		19.01	1.24	68.66	(1.45)	414.03
126	1989	Estate-Hedley Pingree Flower Fund		Common	0.00078	500.00	694.28			135.89	(1.86)	-	692.42	218.88		31.67	2.07	68.66	179.82	872.24
127	1989	Albert Wakefield Flower Fund		Common	0.00078	500.00	694.28			135.89	(1.86)	-	692.42	218.34		31.67	2.07	68.66	179.28	871.70
128	1989	William Parker Flower Fund		Common	0.00078	500.00	694.28			135.89	(1.86)	-	692.42	220.01		31.67	2.07	68.66	180.95	873.37
129	1997	William Parker Flower Fund		Common	0.00074	500.00	658.09			103.51	(1.76)	-	656.33	112.45		30.02	1.97	68.66	71.65	728.18
130	1998	J Robert Merrill Flower Fund		Common	0.00068	500.00	607.73			57.32	(1.62)	-	606.11	83.73		27.73	1.82	68.66	40.98	647.09
160	2005	Pattrick/Ellison Family	Westlawn	Common	0.00613	5,000.00	5,452.52			0.00	(14.58)	-	5,437.94	562.48		248.75	16.29	137.44	657.51	6,095.45
		TOTAL FLOWER FUNDS			0.02651	16,505.52	23,586.67	-	-	4,127.49	(63.07)	-	23,523.60	6,700.36	-	1,076.07	70.45	1,236.00	6,469.98	29,993.58
		TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS			0.39290	202,745.96	349,575.39	1,211.49	-	87,801.84	(934.70)	-	349,852.18	49,695.84	(1,211.49)	15,948.31	1,044.18	7,002.00	56,586.48	406,438.66

	DATE CREATED	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Beginning %	PRINCIPAL: ORIGINAL BALANCE AT COST	PRINCIPAL: BEGINNING BALANCE	PRINCIPAL: Reallocation	PRINCIPAL: ADDITIONS/ NEW FUNDS	PRINCIPAL: CUMULATIVE LOSS DR GAIN ON SECURITIES	PRINCIPAL: CURRENT LOSS OR GAIN ON SECURITIES	PRINCIPAL: WITH-DRAWALS	PRINCIPAL: BALANCE YEAR END AT COST	INCOME: BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME: Journal	INCOME: GAIN/LOSS INCOME CURRENT	INCOME: ALLOCATED EXPENSES	INCOME: INCOME EXPENDED	INCOME: BALANCE YEAR END	TOTAL: PRINCIPAL AND INCOME
		LIBRARY FUNDS																		
109	1997	Library Improvement Fund*	Improvements	Common	0.00670	5,321.32	5,965.05	232.12		976.10	(15.95)	5,835.00	346.22	232.12	(232.12)	272.14	17.82	0.10	254.22	600.44
		*all of principal expendable																		
110	1910	Parker Fund	Books	Common	0.00659	3,745.17	5,862.93			1,624.57	(15.68)	-	5,847.25	239.52		267.48	17.51	239.51	249.98	6,097.23
111	1932	Goodwin, Hazelline, Knox Tibbet & Greer Fund	Books	Common	0.00630	3,581.32	5,606.40			1,553.48	(14.99)	-	5,591.41	229.04		255.77	16.75	229.04	239.03	5,830.44
112	1933	T. Butterfield Fund	Books	Common	0.00175	1,000.00	1,565.45			433.77	(4.19)	-	1,561.26	63.95		71.42	4.68	63.95	66.74	1,628.01
113	Unknown	Ethel Greer Fund	Books	Common	0.00095	1,325.00	841.19			(706.68)	(2.25)	-	838.94	34.37		38.38	2.51	34.37	35.86	874.80
114	Unknown	Trust Fund	Books	Common	0.00027	70.00	237.84			147.85	(0.64)	-	237.20	9.72		10.85	0.71	9.72	10.14	247.34
155	2007	Elizabeth Merrill*	Childrens Lib	Common		6,329.35	6,329.35				-		6,329.35			-	-	6,329.35	(6,329.35)	-
		*all of principal expendable																		
		TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS			0.02968	12,305.67	26,408.21	232.12	-	4,029.09	(53.69)	5,835.00	20,751.64	608.72	(232.12)	916.04	59.98	6,906.04	(5,473.38)	15,278.26
		SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS																		
131	1992	Paul Lemery		Common	0.00677	4,626.17	6,027.01			893.85	(16.12)	-	6,010.89	258.92		274.96	18.00	200.00	315.88	6,326.78
132	1992	Doris Bailey		Common	0.01588	10,745.25	14,126.44			2,092.89	(37.77)	-	14,088.67	3,229.11		644.48	42.20	750.00	3,081.39	17,170.06
137	1996	Kunitachi Fund		Common	0.00118	400.00	1,048.07			161.10	(2.80)	-	1,045.27	327.91		47.81	3.13		372.59	1,417.86
148	2003	Wilsam Marston Scholarship Fund		Common	0.00782	6,318.56	6,955.83			309.99	(18.60)	-	6,937.23	183.92		317.34	20.78	175.00	305.48	7,242.71
149	2004	R.S Watt Scholarship Fund (1)		Common	0.01226	10,000.00	10,905.02			0.00	(29.16)	-	10,875.86	593.11		497.51	32.57	500.00	558.04	11,433.91
151	2005	Sand A. Ellison Trust*		Common	0.34159	70,000.00	303,926.73	6,141.94		270.12	(812.64)	-	309,266.03	12,325.47	(6,141.94)	13,865.73	907.83	6,000.00	13,141.43	322,397.46
		* Terms of bequest - 1/2 of income to be returned to principal annually																		-
		TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS			0.38550	102,089.98	342,989.10	6,141.94	-	3,727.95	(917.09)	-	348,213.95	16,918.44	(6,141.94)	15,647.83	1,024.50	7,625.00	17,774.82	365,988.78
		VARIOUS FUNDS																		
133	1947	W. Richards Fund	Barnard Pigmd	Common	0.00088	500.00	782.72			216.87	(2.08)	-	780.63	447.70		35.71	2.34		481.07	1,261.70
134	1947	W. Richards Fund	Hist. Society	Common	0.02111	12,000.00	18,785.47			5,205.26	(50.23)	-	18,735.24	767.44		857.03	56.11	767.44	800.92	19,536.16
135	1987	W. Richards Fund	Hist. Society	Common	0.02993	18,000.00	26,628.23			6,388.28	(71.20)	-	26,557.03	1,087.84		1,214.83	79.54	1,087.84	1,135.29	27,692.32
136	1976	TriCentennial Fund	Celebration	Common	0.00057	255.00	508.25			110.62	(1.36)	-	506.89	1,414.45		23.19	1.52		1,436.12	1,943.01
139	2001	Reserved for Future Trust		Common		100.00	-			7.75	-	-	-			-	-		-	-
140	Unknown	Trust Fund	Barnard Pigmd	Common	0.00027	70.00	237.84			147.85	(0.64)	-	237.20	48.13		10.85	0.71		58.27	295.47
141	Unknown	Trust Fund	Hist. Society	Common	0.00095	1,785.00	6,185.10			3,774.94	(16.54)	-	6,168.56	252.68		282.18	18.47	252.68	263.70	6,432.26
143	1999	Goffstown Main Street Program Trust Fund		Common		4,320.00	-			-	-	-	-	133.04		-	-		133.04	133.04
		TOTAL VARIOUS FUNDS			0.05971	37,030.00	53,127.61	-	-	15,851.57	(142.05)	-	52,985.56	4,151.26	-	2,423.78	158.69	2,107.96	4,308.41	57,293.97
		MILDRED STARK FUNDS																		
144	1968	Town Hall Fund	Maintain Town	Common	0.09705	55,160.54	86,351.11		-	23,926.79	(230.89)	-	86,120.22	121,118.89		3,939.50	257.93	9,342.46	115,458.00	201,578.23
145	1968	Town Hall Fund	Maintain Town	Common	0.00004	25.00	38.91		-	10.84	(0.10)	-	38.81	(1.31)		1.76	0.12		0.35	39.15
146	1968	H.S. Library Fund	Books/H.S. Lib	Common	0.02111	12,000.00	18,785.46		-	5,205.26	(50.23)	-	18,735.23	767.44		857.03	56.11	767.44	800.92	19,536.15
147	1968	H.S. Scholarship Fund	Scholarship	Common	0.02111	12,000.00	18,785.46		-	5,205.30	(50.23)	-	18,735.23	838.48		857.03	56.11	600.00	1,039.40	19,774.63
		TOTAL MILDRED STARK FUNDS			0.13932	79,185.54	123,960.94	-	-	34,348.19	(331.45)	-	123,629.49	122,723.50		5,655.34	370.27	10,709.90	117,298.67	240,928.16
		TOTAL COMMON FUNDS			1.01	433,357.15	896,061.25	7,585.55	-	145,758.64	(2,378.97)	5,835.00	895,432.83	164,497.78	(7,585.55)	40,591.29	2,657.62	34,350.90	169,495.00	1,065,527.83
		GRASMERE TOWN HALL																		
138	1997	Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Fund (2)	Restoration	US Trust Separate Acct		5,863.45	4,486.99		50.00	3,422.30	(1,489.18)		3,047.81	4,854.94		168.01	15.84		5,007.11	8,054.92
		GOFFSTOWN COMMON PRESERVATION TRUST																		
		**Both Principal and Income can be expended																		
142	1999	Goffstown Common Preservation Trust	Restoration/ Improvement	Citizens Bank		4,320.00	27.36		-	495.21		5,533.69	27.36			-				27.36
157	2008	Grasmere Circle Statue Fund	Improvement	Citizens Bank		500.00			3,000.00				3,000.00							3,000.00
		CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS																		
		**Both Principal and Income can be expended																		
152	2003	Conservation Capital	Conservation	MBIA		240,000.00	175,203.71			-	-		175,203.71			4,307.22			4,307.22	179,510.93
153	2005	Capital Reserve	Cap Reserve	MBIA		100,000.00	110,208.64			-	-	-	110,208.64			2,709.23			2,709.23	112,917.87
154	2006	Bartlett Elem Sch Reserve	Cap Reserve	MBIA		300,000.00	629,530.68		301,800.00			601,800.00	329,530.68	-		11,753.37			11,753.37	341,284.05
156	2008	Fire Equip Cap Reserve	Cap Reserve	Bnk of Amer		420,000.00			420,000.00				420,000.00							420,000.00
		TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				1,060,000.00	914,943.03	-	721,800.00	-	-	601,800.00	1,034,943.03	-		18,769.82		-	18,769.82	1,053,712.85
		TOTAL TRUST FUNDS				1,504,030.60	1,815,518.63		724,850.00	149,676.15	(3,868.15)	613,168.69	1,936,451.03	169,352.72		59,529.12	2,673.46	34,350.90	214,271.93	2,150,722.96

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No of Shares/ Units	Description	Beginning Balance	Add/ Delete	Income/ Purchases	Expended/ Proceeds From Sales	Realized Gains/ Losses	Balance Year End	Market Value Year End
	Principal Account							
	Cash/Cash Equivients	47,992.74		1,989.30	2,260.90		88,770.02	88,770.02
25,000	Chemical Bk NY NY 6.125% 11/01/08	23,012.75		1,531.26	25,000.00	1,987.25		
20,000	Fed. Home Ln Mtg. Corp. 5.75% 1/15/12	20,064.20		1,150.00			20,064.20	22,356.20
25,000	Fed. Home Ln Bks. 3.875% 2/12/2010	25,120.25		968.76			25,120.25	25,867.25
25,000	Fed Home Ln Bks 5.25% 6/11/2010	25,168.25		1,312.50			25,168.25	26,562.50
25,000	Fed Home Ln Bks 4.20% 3/19/2014		24,809.50	428.75			24,809.50	25,156.25
25,000	Fed Natl Mtg Assn 5.125% 4/15/2011	25,087.50		1,281.25			25,087.50	27,039.00
25,000	Fed Natl Mtg Assn 4.05% 3/30/2010	24,780.75		348.75	25,000.00	219.25		
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 4.25% 10/10/2008	24,775.50		1,062.50	25,000.00	224.50		
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 5.10% 9/18/2012	25,028.25		1,275.00			25,028.25	27,578.25
50,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 4.5% 12/15/2015		50,367.00	1,806.25			50,367.00	55,265.50
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 5.125% 8/25/2016	24,825.50		1,281.26			24,825.50	28,609.50
25,000	Fed Farm Credit Bks 4.875% 1/17/2017		25,792.95	(223.44)			25,792.95	28,172.00
25,000	Fed Home Ln Mtg Corp 5.50% 2/22/2013	24,987.25		687.50	25,000.00	12.75		
25,000	Fed Home Ln Mtg Corp 5.00% 7/15/2014	24,890.25		1,250.00			24,890.25	28,164.00
15,000	Proctor & Gamble 6.875% 9/15/09	14,846.70		1,031.25			14,846.70	15,597.30
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.125% 08/15/2008	24,887.70		515.62	25,000.00	112.30		
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.0% 06/15/2009	25,209.96		1,515.63			25,209.96	25,423.75
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 2.875% 6/30/2010		25,084.07	314.46			25,084.07	25,889.75
20,000	U.S. Treas Nts 5.00% 8/15/2011	20,280.46		1,000.00			20,280.46	22,267.20
25,000	U.S. Treas Nts 4.25% 08/15/2013	25,274.41		1,062.50			25,274.41	28,423.75
	Total Fixed Income	378,239.68	126,053.52	19,599.80	125,000.00	2,556.05	381,849.25	412,372.20
180	Air Prods & Chems Inc	9,293.40		306.00			9,293.40	9,048.60
103	American Intl Group	6,329.35		-	4,840.17	(1,489.18)		
2,159.779	Artio Intl Equity Fund II	24,000.00	7,500.00	779.31			31,500.00	21,381.81
400	AT&T	9,692.00		640.00			9,692.00	11,400.00
200	Baker Hughes Inc Com	5,164.00		112.00			5,164.00	6,414.00
350	Baxter Intl	13,192.00		304.52			13,192.00	18,756.50
1,471.488	Blair, William Fds Intl Small Cap Cl I	14,000.00	5,000.00	1.33		170.25	19,000.00	9,814.82
220	BP Amoco PLC - Sponsored ADR	9,039.97		726.66			9,039.97	10,282.80
189	Citigroup	5,225.06		120.96	3,820.13	(1,404.93)		
100	Colgate Palmolive Co.	5,897.00		156.00			5,897.00	6,854.00
3,345.230	Columbia Fds Select Large Cap Growth Fd	25,000.00	9,000.00	-			34,000.00	23,316.25
1,525.044	Columbia Fds Select Small Cap Fd	16,500.00	9,000.00	-		550.55	25,500.00	16,043.46
713.451	Columbia Fds Value & Restructuring	25,000.00	9,000.00	339.48		12.43	34,000.00	21,068.21
300	E M C	4,353.00		-			4,353.00	3,141.00
300	Ecolab Inc	5,221.50		156.00			5,221.50	10,545.00
250	Emerson Electric	7,938.44		307.50			7,938.44	9,152.50
225	Exxon Mobile	9,436.50		348.75			9,436.50	17,961.75
300	FPL Group	4,728.75		534.00			4,728.75	15,099.00
250	General Elec Co	8,717.50		310.00			8,717.50	4,050.00
100	IBM	3,261.56		190.00			3,261.56	8,416.00
150	Illinois Tool Works	1,503.75		172.50			1,503.75	5,257.50
683	Ishares EAFE Index Fd	34,468.18	4,911.47	2,493.27			39,379.65	30,639.38
213	Ishares Tr Cohen & Steers Realty Majors Index Fund	20,436.29		989.81			20,436.29	9,410.34
150	Johnson & Johnson	8,164.50		269.25			8,164.50	8,974.50
150	Kimberly Clark	5,823.57		340.50			5,823.57	7,911.00
1,070.802	Lazard Emerging Markets Portfolio	15,000.00		529.81		796.65	22,500.00	11,650.33
225	Medtronics	10,047.69		28.13	10,985.53	937.84		
521	Midcap Spdr	62,161.91	4,859.48	865.84			67,021.39	50,620.36
125	Morgan Stanley	5,431.39		101.25	1,807.79	(3,623.60)		
200	Pepsico	5,557.34		320.00			5,557.34	10,954.00
2,005.191	Royce Opportunity Fund	21,500.00		130.14		682.97	26,500.00	11,229.07
300	Stryker	4,406.81		99.00			4,406.81	11,985.00
100	Suntrust Banks	7,924.50		231.00	4,083.82	(3,840.68)		
200	Target Corp.	6,684.00		120.00			6,684.00	6,906.00
100	UPS	5,488.25		87.00	7,199.98	1,711.73		
400	US Bankcorp Del	10,848.00		680.00			10,848.00	10,004.00
	US West			11.09				
225	Weight Watchers Intl Inc.	9,740.25		78.76	8,959.51	(780.74)		
400	Wells Fargo	4,622.50		520.00			4,622.50	11,792.00
	Total Equities	451,798.96	49,270.95	13,399.86	41,696.93	(6,276.71)	463,383.42	410,079.18
Total Principal Account		878,031.38	175,324.47	34,988.96	168,957.83	(3,720.66)	934,002.69	911,221.40
	Income Account							
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	9,106.28		827.59	396.72		25,612.70	25,612.70
		-					-	
725	Ishares Lehman Agg Bond	74,298.00		596.93	73,424.99	(873.01)		
725	Ishares Lehman Treasury	75,229.00		791.63	77,670.20	2,441.20		
25000	Fed Home Ln Mtg 3.55% 6/18/2010		25,361.75	717.40			25,361.75	25,847.75
25000	Fed Home Ln Bks 3.875% 8/22/08		25,157.75	470.92	25,000.00	(157.75)		
25000	Fed Farm Cr Bks 4.30% 12/15/2014		25,212.75	860.00			25,212.75	27,328.25
25000	Fed Farm Cr Bks 5.125% 8/25/2016		26,449.00	(46.27)			26,449.00	28,609.50
25000	Fed Natl Mtg Assn 4.30% 5/5/2008		25,068.75	203.06	25,000.00	(68.75)		
25000	Tenn Val Auth 4.375% 8/15/2015		25,089.00	875.00			25,089.00	27,080.25
25000	U S Treas Nt 2.875% 1/31/2013	-	24,960.93	306.07			24,960.93	26,838.00
Total Income Account		158,633.28	177,299.93	5,602.33	201,491.91	1,341.69	152,686.13	161,316.45
Total Common Investments		1,036,664.66	352,624.40	40,591.29	370,449.74	(2,378.97)	1,086,688.82	1,072,537.85
	Grasmere Town Hall Restoration							
	Cash/Cash Equivalents	2,889.74	50.00	168.01	15.84		7,940.38	7,940.38
485	Intel							-
103	American Intl Group	6,329.35			4,840.17	(1,489.18)		
Total Grasmere Town Hall Restoration		9,219.09	50.00	168.01	4,856.01	(1,489.18)	7,940.38	7,940.38
Total all US Trust Accounts		1,045,883.75	352,674.40	40,759.30	375,305.75	(3,868.15)	1,094,629.20	1,080,478.23

Support Services Report

The Office of Support Services oversees the *General Assistance Program* for the town and *Special Projects*. This office also coordinates the publication of the annual town report, and served as the administrative government liaison to the Historic District and Conservation Commissions, and the Goffstown Community Access TV Committee.

General Assistance: Municipalities throughout the state have a duty and obligation to lend financial assistance and support to any person(s) who are unable to support themselves. Eligibility is based on guidelines established, reviewed, and adjusted by the Selectmen on an annual basis. Assistance is granted through the use of vouchers.

It has been a very difficult year for many individuals and families in our community. Households have struggled with increasing utility and fuel costs, a decline in income or unemployment due to the slowing of our economy. This has translated to an increase in the number of applicants and recipients. We expect this trend to continue into the coming year and may worsen. The largest need for general assistance was granted in the category of housing.

2008 Financial Assistance Categories:

Housing....$30,138	Utilities....$3,774	Medical $3,071	Other..... $2,135
			TOTAL $39,118

Recipient Assistance Statistical Data:

	2006	2007	2008
# Applicant:	98	71	83
# Recipients:	32	32	35
Amt. Financial Assistance:	$24,283	$31,849	$39,118

Goffstown is fortunate to have the following organizations which assist community residents in need: Salvation Army, Food Network, Vestree Shop, Harvest Christian Church Food Pantry, Clergy Association, Lions Club, and St. Matthew's Outreach Program. Their assistance helped stretch the limited dollars that are available through the town's general assistance program.

Special Projects: In 2008 the Office of Support Services

- Conducted a survey in the Lynchville/Danis Park areas of town to determine residents ability to financially support a water distribution system
- Completed repairs and painting of the exterior wood surfaces of Town Hall and received reimbursement from the Mildred Stark Trust Fund
- Assisted Friends of the Goffstown Rail Trail in securing two grants used to develop and complete several sections of the Goffstown Rail Trail System
- Submitted two grant applications in anticipation of funding Grasmere Town Hall Renovation Projects

The Support Services Office continues to work with dedicated committee members and volunteers to identify grant opportunities that will assist town committees in achieving their goals to improve the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice O'Connell, Finance Director

Budget Committee



L-R Seated: John Hikel, Chairman Dan Cloutier, Sec. Jo Ann Duffy, Ivan Beliveau, Grasmere Village Rep. Bill Gordon. L-R Standing: Judy Roberge, School Board Rep. Keith Allard, Cathie Simard, Christi Garrison, Selectmen Rep. Nicholas Campasano, David Pierce, Roxann Hunt, Stephen Fournier, Roger Richard, Bill Hart.

Budget committee members at-large are elected for a three year term and serve unpaid thus volunteering their time for the citizens of Goffstown.

Much time and effort is needed to prepare budgets for both the town and school district. RSA 32 governs the way a budget is created and it is the budget committee's recommended budget that is the basis of discussion at both the Town and School deliberative sessions. The budget committee begins their budget process once the board of selectmen and/or the school board deliver their budget requests to the budget committee.

For the past number of years the selectmen have invited budget committee members to meet with them to hear the department heads propose their budgets. The school board invited budget committee members this year to join them in hearing the presentation of the school district budget from the superintendent of schools. Being invited to attend and participate in these meetings has proven helpful by saving many of department head hours so they need not present and discuss their budget requests twice.

Although the 2009 budget creation process was a bit more challenging this year, the public process helped keep the taxpayers of Goffstown informed as we made our way through presentations, deliberations, and the public hearing. Many thanks to the board of selectmen, town administration, department heads, school board, SAU staff, principals, and other town and school staff who provided necessary information to help the budget committee to do the work the people of Goffstown have elected them to do.

The budget committee meets on a regular basis on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM in the Mildred Stark room in the basement of town hall. All our meetings are open to the public and comments are welcomed and normally heard towards the beginning of the meeting.

Daniel J. Cloutier, Chairman of Goffstown Budget Committee

Cable Television Community Access Committee



L-R Seated: Barbara Doody; Rosemary Garretson, Chairman; Marie Boyle, PEG Outreach Coordinator; Carole Huxel. L-R Standing: Ivan Beaulieu; David Suitor, PEG Technician; Ryan Casey; Michael Przekaza; Don Gagnon; Dick Gagnon, PEG Coordinator. Absent: Neil Funcke, Government Rep.; Jeff Tate, School Board Rep.

Goffstown Community Public Television, GTV, has had another productive year. Our three part time employees remain committed to providing the best public, government and educational television possible to Goffstown residents. In doing so, they have installed a new server and bulletin board to assist them in their endeavors. The new bulletin board has greatly improved the appearance of all announcements.

One of the behind the scenes improvements was the standardizing of the editing systems. This allows patrons to work on any of the systems available rather than being tied to the one on which they began their project. In conjunction with this effort, additional external hard drives were purchased for use by patrons for their individual projects, thereby freeing up space on the internal hard drives for other projects. Staff also worked hard on providing a new "green screen" and learning how to use it with a variety of backgrounds.

Several studio tours were conducted this year as well as a course on being in front of the camera. Additional courses will be provided in the future. A viewer opinion survey was conducted, PSA's (public service announcements) were

completed for the Fire and Police Departments and many news articles appeared in the Goffstown News during the year.

A major undertaking by the Goffstown Cable Television Community Access Committee this year was the formulation of a mission statement and goals and objectives for the coming years. The mission statement is: To provide Goffstown residents with an opportunity to access a quality communication medium.

In 2009 GTV plans on being able to provide airing of all programs on the internet. Another plan for 2009 is to have multiple cameras in the Mildred Stark Room for airing and taping of the various meetings. This will provide different views within the room, such as presenters of plans before the Planning Board. This will, of course, require individuals to be trained on the use of the equipment and a roster of individuals available to do the camera work.

As always, we encourage you to come in to the studio to learn how your TV studio operates. We are continually looking for volunteers to record and produce programs. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact GTV at 497-5707.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Garretson, Chair

Information Technology Report

The IT Office provides technical support to all the Town Departments. Our two person staff handles computer hardware, software, database management and networks. This includes over 100 PCs, workstations, laptops, rugged laptops, tablets; over 15 servers; 50+ printers and fax machines; copiers and smart phones. We also update and maintain the Town web page (www.GoffstownNH.gov), email, and Internet connections.

Another task is maintenance and support of the Town Geographic Information System (GIS). This year we integrated GIS into our Computer-aided mass appraisal system to support the Assessors efforts to complete an Update of Value for the Town by 2010.

This year we added 2 rugged laptops and 2 rugged tablet PCs to the Fire command vehicles and ambulances. Software was added to allow patient data to be forwarded to hospitals while in transit and to allow Incident Commanders to have better live access to the status of firefighter's breathing apparatus. At the Department of Public Works we helped install a new program to track work orders, streamline inventory and infrastructure management and increase the automation of project tracking. We assisted the library with their transition to their new Polaris software system. In Town Hall we rewired the network and relocated the servers to improve network speed, reliability and safety. Town wide we continue to replace/upgrade a quarter of the computers each year.

Respectfully submitted.
Neil Funcke

Capital Improvement Program Committee



L-R Seated: Community-at-Large Reps Earl Carrel, Fred Plett, Chairman Tim Redmond; Recording Secretary. L-R Standing: Budget Committee Rep David Pierce, Selectmen Rep Scott Gross, Fred Cass, School Board Rep Hank Boyle

The role of the CIP Committee is an advisory one. The Committee accepts capital improvement requests from department heads, town utility commissions and the school board. All requests are evaluated to ensure Master Plan priorities are met and that the health, safety and welfare needs of the Town are considered and addressed. When considering requests, the Committee attempts to smooth the matrix over the next six years in an attempt to prevent unnecessarily large tax fluctuations.

Last year the Committee recommended and the Planning Board approved CIP appropriations of $6,294,506. $750,000 was removed by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen. The voters approved CIP appropriations of $5,543,706.

We began this year by comparing the new requests presented to last year's approved bottom line. The Committee noted that it was approximately $1 million to $1.3 million more than last year. We began our deliberations knowing that many purchases and projects needed to be moved out on the matrix.

In the end we were not able to achieve that goal and moved around items we deemed lower priorities in the larger picture. This year was particularly difficult in that two town agencies, the Library and Fire Department, made large requests. The Committee decided to leave the land purchase portions in the 2009 requests. They will be addressed later in this report. It should be noted, that but for these two requests, the overall figure recommended by the Committee would have been less than the amount recommended last year.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Redmond, CIP Chairman

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Goffstown, in coordinating its land related planning, development and regulation activities, reports them as a single activity under the title of Community Development. These activities include the Planning Office, the Code Enforcement Office and the Building/Health Inspection Office. The citizen land use boards are listed separately, which includes the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, Capital Improvement Program Committee, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Planning Office

In 2004, plan proposal activity dropped toward the 1998–1999 level, and remained fairly level in 2005-2006. In 2008, the level of activity remained at that level. The table below shows the number of new subdivision, site plan and conceptual plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year:

Applications Reviewed by the Planning Board						
Type	**2003**	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**
Subdivision	25	22	25	26	18	17
Site Plan	19	15	15	20	10	21
Conceptual	16	5	7	8	5	4
Total	60	42	47	54	33	42

In 2008, these 17 subdivisions created 31 new single-family house lots. The 21 site plans were for non-residential development and represent no new multi-family units. Reflecting the national housing market, however, new home construction has continued to drop from its high in 2003, though it may now be leveling out. It continues to appear that new single-family housing starts are not speculative, but only for homes that have actually been sold.

Permitted Residential Dwelling Units						
	2003	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**
1 and 2-Family Units	95	64	59	38	20	20
Multi-Family Units	0	0	0	24	0	0

With this continuing lower level of home construction, Goffstown will have a temporary reprieve. In the long run, however, Goffstown will continue to face the challenges of growth, particularly of increased residential development, as well as additional pressures on our roadways, due to the development of our neighboring communities to the west and north.

Additionally, residential development continues to become an ever-larger portion of Goffstown's total tax base. Since the 2003 revaluation, the proportion of nonresidential to residential tax base has continued to trend slightly downward.

The non-residential 2008 shift back up to 10.1% is misleading because in a down market, residential values will fall more than will non-residential values.

Total and Non-Residential Assessed Value (Millions)						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total Assessed Value	1,190	1,218	1,236	1,251	1,262	1,419
Non-Residential Assess Value	111	113	113	113	113	143
Equalization Ratio	97.1%	85.7%	77.2%	76.5%	80.1%	96.0
Equal Total Assess	1,226	1,421	1,600	1,636	1,578	1478
Equal Non-Residential Assess	115.0	131.9	145.7	147.5	141.5	148.9
Non-Residential = Percentage of Total	9.4%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%	8.9%	10.1

In addition to plan reviews, the planning staff worked on a number of projects, which were before the Planning Board for adoption in early 2009. These include (1) an updating of the Board's Development Regulations, (2) an updating of the Capital Improvement Program process and handbook, and (3) an amendment to the Master Plan relative to an alternate circulation route parallel to NH 114. Staff also drafts the Planning Board's proposed zoning amendments for Town Meeting consideration.

2008 also saw the Planning Staff continue its lead role in the Board of Selectmen's Rail Trail Steering Committee, composed of town staff and members of the Friends of Goffstown's Rail Trail. In this capacity, rail trail improvements have begun as NH Trail Bureau grants have been sought and received.

The Planner also served as Chairman for the Board of Selectmen's Village Planning Committee. This Committee was charged with reviewing the Master Plan and Corridor Study and to make recommendations on design elements for the Goffstown Village Area.

The Planning office serves as staff to several boards and committees, including the Planning Board, Capital Improvements Program Committee, Economic Development Council and Technical Review Committee. All planning is coordinated with the Board of Selectmen and the Goffstown Main Street Program.

Building Inspection

New residential construction was a reflection of the housing market in general. The town issued 20 permits for new homes and 0 permits for new non residential construction. Town engineering costs are also reimbursed through fees, or for larger projects, an escrow account.

Permit / Fee Source	2006		2007		2008	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	40	13,425	20	6,290	20	6,762
Condo/Multi-Family Units	25	6,958	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Buildings Permits	751	34,718	608	21,112	550	19,037
New Commercial Permits	12	6,218	0	0	1	2,080
Miscellaneous Commercial Permits	32	2,896	34	7,354	64	9,497
Child Care / Assembly Inspections	6	245	7	350	8	345
Health Inspection	14	0	16	0	0	0
Junkyard Inspection	0	0	1	25	1	25
Mobile Home Inspection	0	0	4	400	2	200
Sign Permits	18	480	12	430	18	500
ZBA Applications	48	6,488	48	7,902	25	4,875
Planning Board Applications	-	35,910	-	26,988	-	46,628
Misc. Fees / Sales	-	802		1,528	-	1,326
TOTALS		$108,140		$72,379		$91,275
Permit / Fee Source	**2006**		**2007**		**2008**	
	#	Value	#	Value		
School Impact Fees	47	134,137	28	95,886	14	50,924
Road Impact Fees	46	11,846	27	13,095	14	8,742
Recreational Impact Fees	42	59,900	28	20,866	14	10,820
Public Safety Facilities Impact Fees	-	-	0	0	3	2,928
Other Recreation Fees	2	2,000	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		$207,883		$129,847		$73,414

Engineering Reimbursement	2006	2007	2008
Fees			2,550
Initial Escrow			5,500
TOTALS			$8,050

Health

Goffstown was fortunate in 2008 to not have flooding as in prior years, and did not, therefore, face any significant public health issues.

Zoning Code Enforcement

The Zoning Code Enforcement Officer enforces the provisions of the zoning ordinance, as well as specific approval conditions attached to action taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), Planning Board, and Historic District Commission. Investigations into possible zoning violations are largely complaint driven, although all violations observed are also investigated. Once notified of a violation, the majority of property owners take corrective action to bring their property into compliance. When compliance cannot be achieved, the Zoning Officer works with the Town Prosecutor to pursue legal action through District Court.

The Zoning Officer serves as staff to the ZBA; assisting applicants, preparing the Board's monthly agenda, providing a review of NH Supreme Court decisions, and serving as a liaison between the public and the Board. The Zoning Officer reviews building permit applications to ensure zoning compliance, assists the Building Inspector/Health Officer, and performs such other duties as may be assigned.

In 2008 the Zoning Officer helped 13 applicants prepare appeals to the ZBA of the 27 appeals heard, issued violation notices resulting in 4 appeals, and provided administrative determinations that resulted in 2 appeals. The Zoning Officer assisted 2007 flood victims affected by new changes to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act and the amended Wetland & Surface Conservation District, issued 39 commercial and special event sign permits, and worked with the Historic District Commission on a request for certificate of appropriateness within the District and a proposal to amend the Historic District Ordinance.

Impact Fees

Impact Fees are assessed when a building permit is issued and is collected when the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Concurrently, projects expanding capacity are approved, thereby becoming qualifying projects for which impact fees might provide funding or future reimbursement. Impact fees may not be used for maintenance projects. The following tables indicate fees collected, qualifying projects and fees disbursed.

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES IMPACT FEES
[Initiated December 20, 2007]

Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Public Safety Facility Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/07		$0		$0
12/31/08		$2,931.30		$0

RECREATION IMPACT FEES
[Initiated February 13, 2003]

Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Recreation Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		$2,000.79		$0
12/31/05		$22,708.77		$0
12/31/06		$60,692.79		$0
12/31/07		$83,310.54		$0
12/31/08		$94,965.03		$0

ROAD IMPACT FEES
[Initiated March 13, 2001]

Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Road Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		$26,842.84		$0
	2005 Road Reclamation Project		$17,430	9/1//05 $17,429.66
12/31/05		$9,413.18		$0
12/31/06		$24,571.07		$0
12/31/07		$38,467.12		$0
12/31/08		$47,604.99		$0

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES
[Initiated March 13, 2001

Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/01		$22,979.19		$0
12/31/02		$128,533.42		$0
12/31/03		$456,024.45		$0
12/31/04		$620,785.35		$0
	Expand parking and fields at High School		$186,390	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from impact fees.		$436,769	
				12/20/05 $623,159

12/31/05		$213,655.47		
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from new taxes.		$256,202	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from unreserved fund balance.		$400,000	
12/31/06		$367,101.20		
	Kindergarten: additional funding authorized by 2006 school meeting to come from impact fees.		$306,510	
12/31/07		$473,054.17		
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from impact fees		$216,000	
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from reserve fund		$384,000	
				5/6/08 $216,000
				8/1/08 $160,000
12/31/08		$151,197.20		

Respectively submitted,
Stephen B. Griffin, AICP
Planning and Economic Development Coordinator

PLANNING BOARD



Seated L to R: Tim Redmond, Jo Ann Duffy, Chairman Lowell von Ruden, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator Stephen Griffin, AICP. Standing L to R: Selectmen's Rep John Caprio, Alan Yeaton, Alt. Collis Adams, Jim Raymond, Steven Dutton

While new development dropped significantly last year and continued to drop this year, Goffstown will continue to face the challenges of growth. Single-family residential development remains the dominant form of growth. At the same time, increasing suburbanization of our neighboring communities to the west and north, while also slower this year, continues to add commuting traffic through Goffstown, further straining our road capacity. That increased traffic volume, in turn, will attract new commercial development along major road corridors.

The Planning Board plays three roles in addressing the Town's growth. Additionally, the Board met jointly with the Board of Selectmen and the other land-use boards to discuss common concerns and issues.

First, looking at the near time-frame and taking up most of its meeting time, the Board reviews applications for subdivision and site plan approval. The Board also updated its Development Regulations, specifically addressing among other concerns, residential wind turbine systems and workforce housing, responding to new State legislation.

Second, the Board looks at long range planning issues to accommodate both the Town's growth and outside growth pressures. The Board continues its coordination within the region through the CTAP program, developed by NHDOT in response to the impact evaluation of widening I-93. These efforts in

2008 have included amending the previously adopted Master Plan Update, supporting SNHPC's Regional Source Water Protection initiative, and serving on the Board of Selectmen's Village Master Plan Committee. The Board also saw the establishment of a State Scenic Byway, which included Goffstown. Zoning amendment proposals are another tool at the Board's disposal.

Third, the Board looks to budgeting and other financial techniques to implement its plans. For example, each year, the Capital Improvement Committee, a subcommittee of the planning board, prepares and the Board adopts a schedule of recommended capital improvements for the town.

The planning staff is available at the planning office to assist you with questions on land use and development. The Planning Board public hearings are typically held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, at 7:00 P.M., in the Town Hall. We welcome your attendance and participation.

Respectively submitted,
Lowell von Ruden, Chairman

Economic Development Council

Members: Chairman Al Desruisseaux, Vice Chairman Daniel F. Reidy, Richard Bruno, John Hikel, John E. Neville, William Wynne, Board of Selectmen Designee Scott Gross, Planning Board Chair Designee Alan Yeaton, Town Administrator Designee Stephen B. Griffin, AICP, Alt. Bryan King and Alt. Stephen Langley.

Goffstown Economic Development Council continues its work to foster the commercial and industrial development of the community, and to retain and strengthen its existing tax base. This year the council was pleased to see the ongoing construction of the Rite Aid facility in Pinardville, being both significant local re-investment and tax base, and positive economic positioning of a new business.

In terms of other areas of the community, the Council has continued to be involved with recreational planning to promote economic activity and tourism. This has included support for the rail trail, and beginning trail-head development for the White Dot Trail. The Council had also been supportive of the now designated John Stark Scenic Byway which extends through Goffstown.

The Council continues, even in this economic climate, to follow up its earlier business survey responses and its developer interest contacts, staying in contact with existing businesses and developers relative to their needs and expansion potential. In related activities, the Council has developed a FAQ page for the Town's website, and at the Council request, the Board of Selectmen has sought exemption from the Shoreland Protection Act within the urbanized area of the Village.

The Council continues to participate in the Metro Center, recognizing our place within the larger economic marketplace.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Desruisseaux, Chairman

Conservation Commission

In 2008 the Goffstown Conservation Commission continued its mission of working to protect and preserve Goffstown's natural resources, including open space areas, surface waters and wetlands. We continue to conduct site walks for proposed development for the Planning Board and to make comment as to the suitability of the proposed plans for the land with respect to all natural resources, with surface waters and wetlands impacts and potential erosion issues as our main focus. In March of 2008 the voters of Goffstown approved revisions to the Town Wetlands Ordinances allowing for increased preservation of buffer areas, known as the Wetland Conservation District, around surface waters and wetlands.

The Commission's Open Space subcommittee has continued with its work to proactively protect important undeveloped lands consistent with the Goffstown Master Plan and the Goffstown Open Space Conservation Plan. The Open Space committee is composed of volunteers who can assist interested landowners who wish to protect their land from development. The Open Space committee helps in making formal assessments of land and natural resources, introduces conservation options to interested landowners, writes grant proposals to obtain funding for conservation projects and helps landowners establish a working relationship with conservation land trusts. The Open Space Committee works closely with our local land trusts: The Society For The Protection of New Hampshire Forests and the Piscataquog Land Conservancy.

In the past few years since the formation of the Open Space Committee, landowners in Goffstown have either made outright gifts of their land to the town or to a conservation organization. Other landowners have been assisted to preserve their land through conservation easements. Conservation Easements of private land delineate the terms and conditions of the easements and the permitted use of this land and are on file at the Town Clerk's office for inspection by any citizen. The complicated project to protect farmlands on Shirley Hill was completed in the spring of 2008. The Committee is currently assisting other landowners to create conservation plans for their properties.

The Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee are here to assist you if you have any concerns or interests in land protection or preservation. Please contact Town Hall and they will direct you to one of our volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Peace, Chairman

Zoning Board of Adjustment



L-R Seated: Vice Chair Kevin Reigstad, Chairman Catherine Whooten, and Clerk Gail Labrecque. L-R Standing: Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Derek Horne, Denise Herman, Theresa Walton, and Leonard Stuart, Alternate.

The New Hampshire legislation provides that planning, zoning, and related regulations have been and should be the responsibility of municipal governments as stated in RSA 674:18, "The local legislative body may adopt a zoning ordinance under RSA 674:16 only after the planning board has adopted the mandatory sections of the master plan as described in RSA 674:2, I and II." The purposes of the zoning ordinance (RSA 674:17) are: (a) To lessen congestion in streets; (b) To secure safety from fires, panic and other dangers; (c) To promote health and the general welfare; (d) To provide adequate light and air; (e) To prevent the overcrowding of land; (f) To avoid undue concentration of population; (g) To facilitate the adequate provisions of transportation, solid waste facilities, water, sewerage, schools, parks, child day care; (h) To assure proper use of natural resources and other public requirements; (i) To encourage the preservation of agricultural lands and buildings; and (j) To encourage the installation and use of solar, wind or other renewable energy systems and protect access to energy sources by the regulation of orientation of streets, lots, and buildings.

On March 14, 1961 the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance was adopted and the members to the Goffstown ZBA were appointed in accordance with NH RSA 673:3 to hear requests for variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and appeals from decisions made by the Code Enforcement Officer, the Planning Board, and the Historic District Commission as they relate to application of the Zoning Ordinance. On March 8, 2005

Goffstown voted to elect ZBA members beginning in 2006, with members serving an elected three-year term.

In 2008, ZBA lost the service of members Denis Pinard, Wayne Richardson, Bill Wynne, and Tony Marts. The ZBA is thankful for their service. Dennis provided unique insight from years living and working in Pinardville, Wayne used his expertise as a building inspector, and Bill's experience on the Planning Board was a valuable resource to the board. Their experience will be greatly missed. After his long-outstanding service of 15 years with the ZBA, Tony Marts leaves the board where his experience as an attorney and historical knowledge of the board's actions were invaluable. During his tenure he acted as chairman for 6 years and as the vice-chairman for 5 years. We shall miss Tony's commitment to service, long-term perspective and understanding of the Goffstown's Zoning Ordinance. Thank you very much, Tony.

Respectfully Submitted,
Catherine Whooten, Chairman

Historic District Commission/ Heritage Commission



L-R: Lionel Coulon, Chairman Elizabeth Dubrulle, Elaine Emerton, Alice Rohr, Alt., Ruth Gage, Sel. Rep. Philip D'Avanza, Mary Sullivan, Charles Carr. Absent: Rodney Stark, Alt., William Wynne, Alt., Mildred Wheeler-Pratt, Alt., Library Rep. Sandy Whipple.

In March 2008, Goffstown voters authorized the Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission, in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen, access to the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Campaign Fund to further the renovation of the Grasmere Town Hall (GTH). Town voters had set aside these funds for that purpose in 2005. When complete, the GTH will serve as a public

meeting place for up to 225 people at one of the town's most historic locations. The GTH is projected to open in a limited capacity (for groups of up to 50 people) in the Spring of 2009.

The HDC also received two Certified Local Government grants from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources in the summer of 2008. One grant will help fund restoration work on the GTH, and the other will help the HDC compile a comprehensive historical survey of the entire Grasmere area, which was the initial center of the town and the site of the earliest settlements.

The HDC is in the final stages of designing historical markers for the town, with the first ones scheduled to go up in the Goffstown Main Street Village National Historic District in 2009. Much of this work has been funded by another grant from the NH Division of Historical Resources.

On Old Home Day 2008, the HDC, with assistance from the Goffstown Congregational Church and the New Hampshire Humanities Council, brought Professor Jere R. Daniell from Dartmouth College to town to speak about the history of Old Home Day celebrations in Goffstown and in New Hampshire.

Other HDC projects in 2008 included fundraising for the creation of a minuteman statue on the Grasmere Roundabout, involvement with the John Stark Scenic Byway Council and the town's 250th anniversary committee, and the promotion of historical house plaques, a reproduction of a 1772 map of the town, and our popular Goffstown t-shirts and hats.

The commission continued to watch over its three historic districts—Carr Court, Parker Station, and Grasmere. There was one hearing held this past year regarding the renovation of a barn at 5 Carr Court, for which the HDC issued a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Respectfully submitted by,
Elizabeth Dubrulle, Chairman

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants who are selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance that are mandated under New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which would pertain more exclusively to your community.

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of the Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects that are of common interest and benefit to all member communities, keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation, and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association offers training workshops for Planning and Zoning Board members on an annual basis.

Services that were performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows:

1) Co-sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture Series, which was attended by Goffstown officials;
2) Conducted traffic counts at 37 locations in the Town of Goffstown and forwarded data to the Planning and Economic Development Coordinator;
3) Continued work with NHDOT in obtaining approval for the designation of the General John Stark Scenic and Cultural Byway;
4) Worked with Goffstown police and fire officials on the update of Goffstown Emergency Operations Plan;
5) Hosted a special Planning Board Training held on April 22, 2008 for new Planning Board members, focusing on planning board procedures, responsibilities, and planning law;
6) Co-sponsored, along with St. Anselm College, a public forum on Commuter Rail with former Governor Michael Dukakis as a presenter;
7) Worked with Goffstown Planning Board on the CTAP Build-out analysis;
8) Facilitated Brownfield's Advisory Committee meetings for the region held on February 12, 2008, April 23, 2008, June 18, 2008, and September 18, 2008;
9) Participated in regional economic development discussions with the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce regarding Metro Center, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
10) Hosted Legislative Open House held on February 5, 2008 for Goffstown officials.

11) Completed presentation on Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act revisions to Board of Selectmen and Planning Board;
12) Assisted the Town in the development of a scope of services for the North Mast Road Traffic Study and assisted the Town in pursuing potential funding for this study;
13) Worked with the Town Planning Board on their CTAP Build-out Analysis;
14) Assisted the Town in the review of a traffic impact study for a proposed development on NH Route114A;
15) Sponsored two planning Forums: Recent Workforce Legislation held on October 8, 2008 and Community Energy initiatives held on November 6, 2009;
16) Sponsored two meetings with Town Administrators, Public Works Directors, and Road Agents to discuss the feasibility of purchasing cooperatives;
17) Facilitated Brownfield's Advisory Committee meetings held on February 12, 2008, April 23, 2008, June 18, 2008, and September 18, 2008, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
18) Coordinated topic discussion on Workforce Housing and Conservation; Porous Pavement and Concrete; Amendments to Shoreland Protection Act; Small Energy Systems; and Workforce Housing Legislation; and Innovated Land Use Planning Techniques for SNHPC Planners' Roundtable meetings, which were attended by Goffstown officials;
19) Sponsored region-wide Water Supply Task Force meetings held on March 7, 2008 and November 21, 2008 on the proposed Merrimack River Basin, which impacts Goffstown;
20) Sponsored and coordinated the Conservation Commission Institute meetings including topics on Sustainable and Integrated Landscaping and Innovated Landscaping Techniques held on February 21, 2008, Regional Conservation Commissions projects held on April 17, 2008, and Merrimack River Watershed Restoration Plan held on July 30, 2008, which were attended by Goffstown officials; and
21) Sponsored and coordinated the Natural Resources Advisory Committee including CTAP Open Space Planning Assessments held on October 29, 2008.

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission
Henry C. Boyle
Barbara J. Griffin
Jo Ann Duffy
Anthony Marts, Alternate

Executive Committee Members
Barbara J. Griffin, Treasurer
Jo Ann Duffy

Fire Department

The Goffstown Fire Department stands ready at all times to serve the Town's residents, business owners and visitors. The Department provides fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous material mitigation, disaster response, community services (such as responding to calls about flooded basements and issuing burn permits), and fire prevention / public education and inspections. We are a Combination-type Fire Department made up of Full-time and paid On-Call Fire / EMS Personnel. In 2008, we had 16 full-time members one full-time Secretary, and 62 On-Call and/or Part-time Members providing services 24-hours/day. Our community can be proud of the level of professionalism and dedication from their responders.

Personnel

The Department experienced one of its greatest membership increases with several Full-time Firefighter and Call and/or Part-time Firefighter hires. The Department filled 3 vacant full-time positions along with hiring 2 positions from the SAFER Grant award. The 5 firefighter/EMTs were brought on-board in the beginning of July and completed an intensive training program to prepare them for the day-to-day demands of providing services for the Town. The newest full-time Firefighter/EMTs are: Matt Bechard, Joseph Curtain, Jeffrey Donaldson, Joshua Ledbetter, and Albert Monaco. The FD also conducted 2 Call Firefighter Recruit programs which yielded 14 additional Call Firefighters to our organization. The Department welcomes our newest members to our current group of highly trained personnel.

Training

In 2008, the members of the Goffstown Fire Department put forth an incredible amount of training hours in both Fire and Emergency Medical topics. Department members compiled more than 13,000 hours of training and education. The increase of training hours over previous years can be contributed to an influx of new full-time and call personnel. We are extremely fortunate to have dedicated personnel who are committed to completing many of the hours listed above on-duty and on their own time. Some of this training was for advancement of skills and some for maintaining skills already proficient. These trainings take place at a variety of places whether here in Goffstown or at the National Fire Academy in Maryland. The Department takes pride in the continual commitment of its members to provide the highest level of care and services to our community.

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

The Goffstown Fire Department provides emergency medical services and transportation to the Town with its 2 equipped ambulances. The Fire Department provides levels of care ranging from EMT-Basic to Paramedic-level care. EMS in Goffstown is provided by several staffing levels. Each Day 6am – 6 pm, the ambulances are staffed by our full-time personnel. Evenings/Nights (6 pm – 6 am) are staffed by a part-time EMS contingent. Our On-Call Firefighter / EMTs support the daytime and evening personnel as needed. It is our goal to make sure

that our residents and visitors requiring emergency medical care receive the highest level of care possible in the shortest amount of time. The Department prides itself in making sure our ambulances are outfitted with some of the best life-saving equipment available.

In 2008, the Fire Department ordered a new ambulance. The ambulance is slated to be delivered January-February 2009. The new ambulance will offer the latest advances in medical equipment and safety. The ambulance will have safety harnesses and seating for all responders with the patient in the back of the ambulance.

The New England Heart Institute generously donated a new cardiac monitor / defibrillator to the Fire Department. The new medical device has the latest technology for monitoring cardiac emergencies. This device has the capability to transmit monitor data through the existing on-board computer system to the emergency room. This will allow Fire Department EMTs to show the hospital staff what we are seeing on the cardiac monitor before the patient arrives at the hospital. If a patient is experiencing a heart attack, our goal is to reduce the amount of time it takes that person to receive life saving care once they arrive at the hospital.

Equipment / Apparatus

In 2008, the Fire Department continued, as in years past, to focus on upgrading and replacing obsolete fire/rescue equipment. Department administration has developed a 30-year vehicle replacement plan that helps us prepare and budget for significant capital purchases. The Department has made significant measures to extend the lifespan of our aging apparatus. In 2008, we completed extensive body repairs to Tanker 5 in hopes to prolong the time before vehicle replacement becomes a necessity. Unfortunately, the extent of repairs sometimes becomes too extensive to make it possible to repair. This was the case for our Ladder 6. The ladder and fire pump problems, along with the significant need for body and motor repairs forced the Department to make the difficult decision to not to commit tremendous amount of funds to attempt to repair this unit. The decision to decommission this unit was made – leaving only one Ladder truck (Ladder 1) in town to respond to incidents. A Capital Reserve Fund was established in 2008 to help the Town fund the replacement of its aging fleet incrementally through annual contributions to this Fund.

Fire Prevention

2008 was an extremely busy year for the Fire Prevention Division. Lt. Bill Connor, the FD's Fire Prevention Officer, reports that although regular building and construction activities were down this year, the division committed a significant amount of time to heating systems related inspections.

Many residents explored and invested in alternative heat systems in response to the record high prices of oil, gas, and propane. During the summer and well into the fall, there was a significant increase of interest and activity in alternative fuels and heating systems in Town. Residents facing record high petroleum prices turned to alternative heating systems like coal, wood, and pellet stoves. The alternative heating systems require some advanced planning to assure the best possible level of safety for each user.

Residents who choose to use these systems are reminded:

- All new heating appliances must have a mechanical permit prior to installation & must be inspected by the Fire Department before use.
- Chimneys & flues must be appropriate for the appliance in both size and configuration. In most cases the flues cannot be shared by different fuel types.
- Before using a solid fuel appliance for the first time:
 - Have the chimney professionally cleaned and inspected. Many chimney sweeps now offer a service with a camera that allows for thorough visual inspection of the chimney's interior.
 - Read and follow all of the manufacturer's instructions, misuse of a heating appliance can result in carbon monoxide poisoning, fires, explosions, injury to people, or death.
 - Have appropriate safety equipment on hand: fire extinguisher, working smoke detectors, and carbon monoxide detection.
- Check all vents after snow and ice fall, blocked vents can result in carbon monoxide problems.

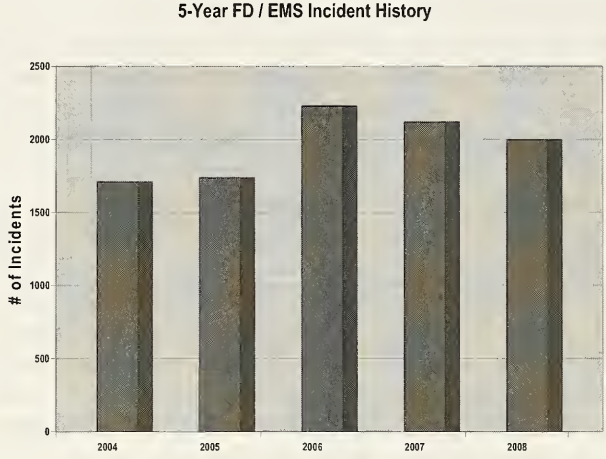
Regular fire prevention inspections and activities were suspended for a short time following the December Ice Storm to allow our inspector to focus on the immediate needs of the community.

Annual Inspection Activity

	2007	2008
Construction Related Inspections	680	634
Life Safety Inspections	118	180
Fire Prevention – Misc.	603	1,026
Permits	934	1,027
Total:	**2,335**	**2,867**

Response Activity

2008 was another busy year for the Fire Department. The Department responded to 1,997 calls for service. The year appeared to be an "average" year for responses until the Town was hit with daily severe thunderstorms in June-July. The storms caused several residential fires, some serious. In December, the Town experienced a crippling ice storm. This storm brought wide-spread tree and power line damage to all areas of Town. The FD responded to hundreds of requests for services – ranging from fires to flooded basements. Looking at the Department's 5-Year Incident History, it shows that the overall number of incidents had slightly decreased since 2006; however a significant number of incidents in 2006 and 2007 were due flood responses. Nevertheless, we are experiencing an overall trend of increased activity as seen in our 5-year analysis. More significant, the Department experienced a 65% increase of structure fires over 2007. Structure fires are more labor & resource-intensive than most incidents – maintaining the constant need for additional trained personnel and reliable equipment & apparatus.



Grant Funding

Whenever possible, the Fire Department will aggressively seek-out grant funds to improve our services with better equipment, apparatus and staffing. In 2008, the Fire Department received the Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant for 2 new full-time firefighters – totaling $210,850 over a 5-year performance period. The fire department was awarded $38,000 from the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant program for a new air filling station and compressor to service our air tanks firefighters wear into hazardous areas, a donation of a new cardiac monitor/defibrillator by the New England Heart Institute ($25,000 value). We also received a $5,500 communications device that would help with first responder interoperability in the event we needed assistance from other fire departments that operate from different radio systems. We have also applied for several other grants, including Department of Homeland Security Grants. These extremely competitive grants focus on areas such as Firefighter Safety, Fire Prevention, and Adequate Firefighter Staffing. The following grants were applied for in 2008 and are still pending award:

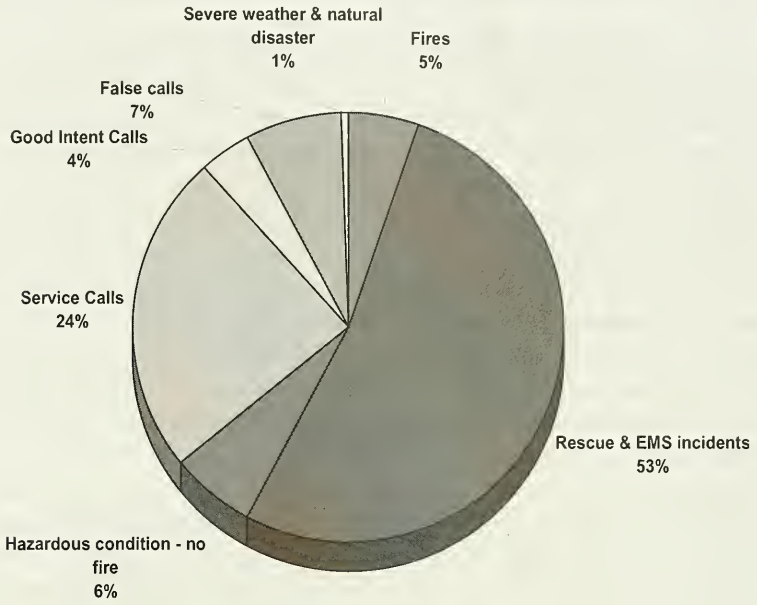
- Dept. of Homeland Security-Assistance to Firefighters Grants
- NH Haz-Mat Emergency Planning Grant

Summary

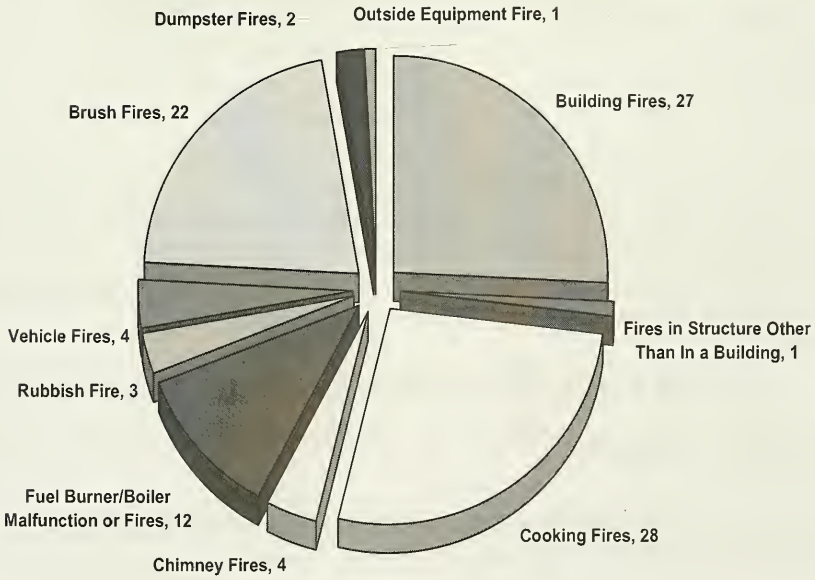
In closing, our challenges are becoming more complex every year, but the citizens of Goffstown can feel assured that the members of the Goffstown Fire Department are responding to the Town's everyday demands while striving to be dynamic, flexible, and responsive to the needs of our community. I want to thank the residents of Goffstown, Board of Selectmen, Fire / Rescue Association, and Town Departments for their continued support of *your* Fire Department. Most of all, I commend the dedicated men and women of the Department; continuing to achieve our goals through valor, excellence, selflessness, and community pride.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fire Chief Richard S. O'Brien, CFO

2008 Incident Break Down



Fire Incident Breakdown



Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, the Goffstown Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

Spring fire season lasted unusually long this past year, with very high fire danger stretching into the first week of June. Once again, the rains started to fall during the summer and the fire activity was fairly light for the remainder of the year. The acreage burned was less than that of 2007. The largest forest fire during the 2008 season burned approximately 54 acres on Rattlesnake Mountain in Rumney on White Mountain National Forest property. Another 39 acre fire occurred on Mount Major in Alton during the month of April. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2008 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

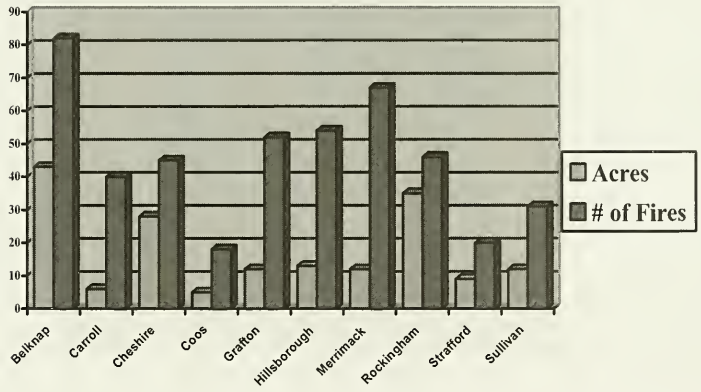
Respectfully Submitted,

Richard S. O'Brien, Fire Warden – Town of Goffstown
and the New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands

2008 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 24, 2008)
(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	**Acres**	**# of Fires**
Belknap	43	82
Carroll	6	40
Cheshire	28	45
Coos	5	18
Grafton	12	52
Hillsborough	13	54
Merrimack	12	67
Rockingham	35	46
Strafford	9	20
Sullivan	12	31



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	2
Debris	173
Campfire	35
Children	23
Smoking	36
Equipment	11
Lightning	11
Railroad	2
Misc.*	162

(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	Total NH Fires	Total NH Acres
2008	**455**	**175**
2007	**437**	**212**
2006	**482**	**147**
2005	**546**	**174**
2004	**500**	**473**

Police Department

The Goffstown Police Department is a 24-hour, 365 days per year law enforcement agency, whose primary purpose is to provide the initial response to most emergency situations. The department's personnel take great pride in being an internationally accredited law enforcement agency with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc.

Programs- The department continues with its community policing philosophy. It is the agency's desire to foster a cooperative effort between citizens, schools, businesses, town departments, and community groups in a concentrated effort to deter, reduce and detect crime before they occur.

The police department held its third open house this past year, which was very successful. Citizens were able to meet officers, tour the police station and view equipment and vehicles used by the department. There was a demonstration by the department's newest K-9 team , Officer Matt Barber and his dog Kjel.



Officer Barber and Kjel

Officer Pat Mullen is assigned, as the School Resource Officer at the Goffstown High School. The DARE program is ongoing with middle school students. Officer Regan and Officer Mullen are certified DARE officers, and work closely with students and faculty.

The Citizen Volunteer Program has now been part of our department for ten years. These trained volunteers work in conjunction with other members of the department in a wide variety of tasks. These volunteers assist in records, answering business telephones, and witness liaison in the District Court. In 2008, these volunteers donated nearly 100 hours towards the betterment of the community.

The department held a combined Halloween / Public Safety Day at Hannaford's Supermarket. On Halloween night, members of the department and volunteers distributed "glow necklaces" to provide additional safety to trick-or-

treaters. These "glow necklaces" were provided through the generosity of local merchants and the Goffstown Police Association.

Personnel: April 2008, Chief Michael French retired after 34 years of service. Chief French was a dedicated employee of the town and an effective and respected leader of the Goffstown Police Department. His involvement and dedication to the community continues, through his work with Crispin's House and many community organizations.

Chief Patrick Sullivan assumed command of the Police Department in April 2008. Chief Sullivan will strive to continue the professionalism of the agency and dedication to the community, which standards were established through his predecessors. Sergeant Robert Marcoux was promoted to Lieutenant and is the Support Services Commander, responsible for Communications, Records, fleet and equipment maintenance. Sergeant Moloney was reassigned from Patrol to Detective Sergeant.

Communications: The Communications Division provides emergency communications for the Goffstown Police, Fire and EMS. Additionally they provide regional contracted emergency dispatch services for the towns of New Boston and Weare, for their police, fire, and EMS. These contracted services are expected to generate approximately $62,000 in revenue for the town.

Seven communication specialists staff this operations center 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. During 2008, there were over 23,570 calls for assistance communicated from this division to emergency responders, 129,943 telephone calls and over 300,000 radio transmissions.

Emergency Management: The police department is responsible for the Emergency Management function for the Town of Goffstown. Our mission is to coordinate and prepare the Town's emergency readiness and response capabilities in the event of natural or man made disasters. During 2008, Emergency Management developed and updated the Town's Emergency Operations Plan. The emergency operations center received a new generator through a grant obtained from Homeland Security.

This year the Town was again subjected to Mother Nature's wrath. In September we were affected by Hurricane Hannah. In December, the State of New Hampshire suffered from a severe ice storm. The Emergency Operations Center was opened early on the morning of December 12. With cooperation of many of the Town's departments, shelters were opened in a relatively short amount of time. There were initially over 400,000 people statewide without power. The citizens of Goffstown responded with assistance, cooperation and understanding.



Goffstown CERT trailer

Our Community Emergency Response Team is one of the finest in the state. There are now 55 specially trained volunteers who are able to assist town departments and the citizens of Goffstown in emergencies. During the ice storm in December the CERT Team opened and staffed a shelter, which was sanctioned by the Red Cross, but operated by CERT personnel for three days.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Goffstown Police Department. It is through their support, dedication and sacrifice that they provide the finest in professional law enforcement services. I would also like to thank the citizens of Goffstown for their support and cooperation, which makes Goffstown the community that it is.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Patrick Sullivan

GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

CRIMES AGAINST PERSON	
Abuse/Neglect	17
Alcohol	87
Intoxication	64
Assaults (includes Safe School Acts)	196
Criminal Threats (includes Safe School Acts)	64
Domestic Violence	132
Domestic Violence Petitions	88
Harassment (includes noise complaints, disorderly conduct, fights, etc.)	307
Homicide	0
Sex Offenses (includes sexual assaults, and sex offender registrations)	48
Juvenile Offenses (includes runaways, tobacco possession, truancy, etc.)	129
Drug Offenses	72
Safe School Act Drug Offenses	4
Robbery	3
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	**1,211**

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY	
Alarms	833
Animal Complaints	419
Arson	2
Burglary	143
Courtesy Calls (includes vehicle lockouts, 911 Call, fingerprinting, etc.)	1,106
Crime Prevention	729
Administration	396
Criminal Mischief	405
Disorderly Conduct	68
Fraud (includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	92
Hazards (includes power outages, trees, & wires down, etc.)	246
Larceny	256
Suspicious Incidents	49
Mutual Aid	1,071
Operations	1,185
Property Lost/Found	204
Suspicious Persons	105
Suspicious Vehicles	133
TOTAL CRIMES AGISNT PROPERTY – OTHER	**7,442**
ARRESTS	
Total Adult Arrests	606
Total Juvenile Arrests	80
TOTAL ARRESTS	**686**
MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY/OFFENSES	
DWI	74
Speed	2,349
Drive after suspension/revocation	99
Summons / Warnings Issued	6,017
Motor Vehicle Activity (includes M/V Hazards, Disabled MV, Abandoned MV, et.c	769
Motor Vehicle Accidents	658
Accidents with injury	73
Accidents – fatalities	1
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY	**10,040**
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	**17,328**

Parks & Recreation Department

2008 was another busy year for the Parks & Recreation Department. Programs were added for youth and senior citizens and the swimming pool was upgraded at Roy Park. In our youth basketball program we added a Jr. Mens' Basketball league for 16-18 yr. old boys. Our basketball and lacrosse travel teams continue to flourish. We had Senior Citizen trips to Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods. This year was our 29th Annual Goffstown Gallop Road Race. We had great participation level at the event and look forward to the 30th Annual Gallop in June 2009. The Gallop is now one of the oldest continuing road races in the state of New Hampshire

Thank you to the Parks & Recreation Commission for their continued dedication to the community and support for the department and staff. I would like to acknowledge Mike Guerrette and Anastasia Hurley for their fine work this past year. Special thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux and Town Hall Staff for their cooperation and guidance. Also, I would like to extend my appreciation to several organizations for their support over the past year including: Mens 30 & over Basketball, Uncanoonuc Mountaineers, Tri-Town Soccer, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Tae Kwon Do Karate Club, Boy Scouts Troop #99, Goffstown Youth Football, Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball, GHS Baseball and Ann Beltz and the Congregational Church Dinner Committee for all of their efforts working with us and the community.

I would also like to extend my appreciation to the C.I.P. committee for their efforts in looking towards the future in Goffstown as well as the Budget Committee for their continued support.

I would also like to thank our summer staffs as well as our 200+ volunteer coaches in our programs. I would like to extend my appreciation to Bob Corson, Dave Turner, Matt Corson for coaching our travel basketball teams this season.

Thank you to the Goffstown School Board for their support in the use of school facilities for the community. I want to thank Supt. Buckley and the principals at each school for their support as well as Athletic Director Steve Fountain for his cooperation.

As always thank you to the people of Goffstown who continue to support this department and participate in our programs. Finally, thank you to my family for their continued support and understanding. We continue to look forward to serving the people of Goffstown.

Respectfully submitted,
David L. French, Director

PROGRAM AND PARTICIPATION LEVELS

Program	2006	2007	2008
Activity period	94	94	98
Arts & Crafts	291	291	285
Womens Fitness			12
Awards Night	1,960	2,000	2,125
Ballet	205	200	135
Ballet Recital	415	435	395
Basketball, Boys	237	242	248
Basketball, Boys Travel	26	37	24
Basketball, Girls	65	66	52
Basketball, Instructional	36	20	28
Basketball, Mens	36	42	40
Basketball, Mens 30 & up	80	85	85
Basketball, Summer	20	15	12
Christmas in August	63	60	65
Clown Day	34	50	45
Concert in the Park	210	180	168
Lunch in the Park	80	50	30
Easter in July	182	182	196
Family Skating Night	104	218	245
Field Trips	210	210	210
Foul Shooting Contests	158	162	183
Goffstown Gallop	152	170	198
Great Pumpkin Hunt	225	225	225
Gymnastics	115	135	100
Halloween in July	70	90	70
Jazz Dancing	52	52	18
UNH Little Red Wagon	160	-	-
Mystery Trip	25	30	35
Open Gym	90	85	90
Pickle Ball Tourney	35	36	50
Scavenger Hunts	45	45	50
Tie Dye T-shirt Day	80	80	65
Senior Citizen Day	110	110	115
Senior Citizen Trips	45	125	110
Soccer	40	38	45
Softball, Girls{Major}	124	128	110
Softball, Girls{Minor}	128	128	88
Softball, Girls{Instructional}	40	60	48
Softball, Summer	167	173	195
Adult Softball League	48	48	30
Hershey Track & Field	18	22	35
Special Events, Summer	218	245	260
Yoga	40	40	40

Program	2006	2007	2008
Swimming Lessons	248	338	250
Tennis Tournament	32	36	40
Tennis, youth	112	172	188
Track & Field	30	30	30
Adult, Volleyball	55	59	60
Lacrosse	85	100	120
Open Gym Recreation Center	70	56	75
Jr. Mens Basketball League	-	-	42
Total:	**7,120**	**7,495**	**7,355**

FACILITIES

RECREATION CENTER:
French Community Room is used by the following groups: Karate, Gymnastics, Ballet, Jazz dancing, tap dancing, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, Summer programs, Special Events, Youth Sports Registration, G.Y.F.A, Library Ski & Skate Sale, Open Gym
Commissioners Room is used by the following groups: Uncanoonuc Mountaineers, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Tri-Town Soccer, G. Y. F. A.
SKATING AND PICNIC AREA

BARNARD PARK:
John Brown Track & Field
Tennis Courts (4)
Stark Memorial Pool
Playground Area
Basketball court
Outdoor Volleyball court

ROY PARK:
Tennis Courts (3)
Softball/Baseball field
Basketball Court
Playground Area
Roy Memorial Pool

LOUIS ST./ LAURIER ST. COMPLEX:
Softball/Baseball field, 2 soccer fields, 1 football field
SKATEBOARD PARK: Located on Church St.
CHURCH ST. PARK: Located on Church St.

POOL ATTENDANCE:	2006	2007	2008
Barnard Pool	12,619	13,020	11,467
Roy Pool	6,958	6,949	5,115
Total:	19,577	19,966	16,582

Report of the Goffstown Public Library

2008 was a wild, wonderful year for the Goffstown Public Library! We competed with fifty other public libraries for big bucks, "played" softball for charity and some good PR, had our biggest summer reading program ever, and had fun doing it all. I meet library directors and their staffs all over the state and throughout New England. We have the best staff around who work extremely hard for the Goffstown community! Please be sure to thank them when they provide you with top notch service: Sharon Archambault, Catherine Conley, Kristen Devoid, Erika Hamel, Nancy Levesque, Marsha McKay, Patti Penick, Molly Poole, Amelia Raymond, Denise Schaaf, Barbara Schuler, Jessica Stevens, Sandy Whipple, and Christopher Willmott.

Finlay Challenge: The Finlay Foundation challenged every museum, historical society and public library in the state to increase their membership between November 1, 2007 and October 31, 2008. As an incentive, the museum, historical society and library with the greatest percentage growth would receive $25,000 each. The initiative was designed to "energize the cultural workforce and spark new interest and ideas to raise awareness of these facilities." The Goffstown Public Library was honored on December 17, 2008 with a $25,000 check as the winner of the library component! We are thrilled that our year of hard work resulted in a **45.5% growth** of our active members as well as money to serve our community. The library staff is busy prioritizing the "wish list"; keep tuned in to what changes and additions are in store!

50th Summer Reading Program: Summer 2008 was our fiftieth consecutive summer reading program! Over time our annual summer event has grown to the point we are unable to host many events within our own building. When necessary, programs are either held outside or at various locations in the village. While we have lost program attendance during other seasons of the year (by 21%) our summer programming attendance continues to grow annually:

2005	977
2006	2,221
2007	2,841
2008	3,024

In 2008 we added special programs and events for teens and adults as well and the attendance number includes 303 adults and 145 teenagers. Our 2009 summer reading theme is "Summertime, and the Reading is Easy." Plan to join us as we tie programming to our building's 100th birthday and a community theatre project.

Strategic Planning: All year the Board of Library Trustees, library staff, and consultant Cheryl Bryan have worked hard to complete a long-range plan and building program. This work is essential for the future expansion of our library and the service we provide to a growing community. While we didn't

finish by the end of 2008 as anticipated, everything is coming together nicely and we will have a completed product in a few months. Once it is complete we will make the plan available through our web site at www.goffstown.lib.nh.us and in limited print copies that can be picked up at the library. Please continue to email me with questions at dianneh@goffstown.lib.nh.us or call me at 497-2102.

GMILCS, Inc.: The Goffstown Public Library is a member of a twelve library, multitype library consortium that is also a nonprofit corporation. Pronounced "gee-milks," it is the only one of its kind in NH and has been in existence for more than twenty years. In August the consortium changed library systems and went through the sometimes frustrating process of moving all patron and item records in a major migration. Overall, the process went smoothly with only printing problems putting a real wrench in the works. The new system offers many features a consortium of our size needs to serve a population of approximately 280,000 NH residents. These include more patron functionality through online accounts, a more forward "thinking" online catalog with relevancy ranking, an optional reader check out history, persistent URL's, RSS feeds, saved searches and much more.

Our Annual Statistics: It is no secret our 2008 economy has been soft and we are all cutting back, even in town government. It is also a fact that library usage increases during times of a poor economy and many of our annual numbers support that fact:

Door Count	14.15%
Circulation	15.42%
Reference Questions	-3.31%
Museum Passes	42.21%
Teen Programs	483.33%
Teen Attendance	90%
Network Use	22.11%
Research Databases	30%
Webpage Use	74.4%
Downloadable Audio	120.75%

These numbers are only a snapshot of the service we provide; please let me know if you would like to see the full numbers for 2008 with explanations.

The Friends of the Goffstown Public Library worked hard this year to raise funds for the Museum Pass Program and so much more. Their generous support helps supplement our budget in wonderful ways; please thank them at the annual book sale and pie auction. The Board of Library Trustees spent many hours on library business this year and I applaud them for their dedication and assistance: Lisa Iodice, Richard Chamberlin, Hank Boyle, Ruth Anne Biron, Sue Plante, Jennifer Foley, Mike Pelletier, Mike Lawler, Judy Pancoast and Sara Santoro. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne Hathaway, Library Director

Goffstown Public Library Trustees* Financial Report

January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

*This report does not include Library Expenses paid through the Town's General Fund Operating Budget.

Revenues		Expenses	
Fines	$5,099.47	Books/Subscription	$2,216.06
Interest	10,028.52	Other Expenses:	
Dividends	776.59	Program & Materials	7,949.52
Other Revenue:		Children's Room	12,391.55
Grants	635.60	Finlay Challenge	2,323.90
Gifts/Donations	7,603.95	Consultant for Strategic Plan	15,000.00
Library Improvement Fund	5,835.00	Miscellaneous	558.35
Miscellaneous**	2,396.00		
Total Revenues:	**$32,375.61**	**Total Expenses:**	**$40,439.38**
Net			**(8,063.77)**

**Miscellaneous: fees collected for library cards and lost books

Library Trustees Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2008

Account				
80 - Library Trustee Fund				Balance
Assets				
10100	Cash-Checking	$	1,501.82	
10110	Cash-Unrestricted Savings		83,178.43	
10140	Cash-Restricted		774.57	
10170	Cash-Investments CDs#2, #3 & #4		96,829.35	
10180	Cash-Investments CD#1		231,445.98	
	Total Assets	$	413,730.15	
		$		413,730.15
Liabilities				
20100	Accounts Payable	$	.00	
	Restricted Funds		774.57	
Equity				
28160	Fund Balance-Undesignated		- 412,955.58	
	Total Liabilities & Equity	$	- 413,730.15	
				-413,730.15

Department of Public Works

Another busy year is in the books for DPW. We almost made it through the year with no major disasters until the flooding in September and then of course the ice storm in December. The Department would like to thank the many residents that assisted with tree and brush removal. Within a few days we had the roads at least reopened so that we could plow when the next snow fall came.

It was a very difficult year for us. Last winter we had record snow falls and this summer the rising fuel costs led to staggering construction costs. Despite the rising costs we managed to get Mountain Road and Merrill Road reclaimed as well as getting the dirt portion of Snook Road paved. We also completed quite a few shim and paving jobs so hopefully it will make for a much easier pothole season this year. I would like to give a quick explanation of the difference between a shim and an overlay. A shim is a "bandaid" applied to a really bad road that is awaiting a total reclamation. It is not anticipated to last very long because the original problems in the road have not been corrected. It is merely done to improve ride and cut down on maintenance needs. An overlay is the application of a new wear course of pavement. I associate it to painting your house. It helps to extend the investment that we have made with reclamation. We are often asked why we paved a perfectly good road. It is a lot more cost effective to overlay a road before it deteriorates too badly.

We provided shims on Elm Street, St. Anselm Drive, North Mast, Church Street and much of the Lynchville Park neighborhood. As far as overlays, we did Lindsey Way, Monarch Ave, Sage Court, Smith Road, Ben Circle, Reed, Cottage and Mill Street, Sharon Street, Rainbow Drive, Katherine St, Marion St and McElroy St. We also put the final wearcourse on Summit Road, Walnut Hill Road, Kidder Court and Ploss Lane.

Though we did not have any retirements in 2008 we did say goodbye to Tom Fatcheric our Environmental Projects Manager. Tom was a critical component of our management team for the past 6 years. It was Tom's leadership that brought us single stream recycling and Goffstown's unique Household Hazardous Waste Program. We wish Tom the best in his new endeavor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carl Quiram

Solid Waste Commission



Seated Left to Right: Tammy Gross, Chairman Fred Plett, Richard Schaffner, Jr.
Standing Left to Right: Public Works Director Carl Quiram, Don Tuttle, David Packard, Selectman John Caprio.

This year we instituted a new Web Site, www.goffstownrecycles.org. I would like to particularly thank former member Wayne Perreault and current member Tammy Gross for their work in making this a reality.

The Solid Waste Ordinance was updated and sent to the Selectmen for public hearing and adoption. The ordinance now clearly stipulates that the DPW may suspend trash and/or recycling pickups for those residents who are egregiously violating the ordinance, and makes it the responsibility of every resident to clean up any spillage from their trash and recycling totes.

We have been in the first year of a 3 year contract with Integrated Paper Recyclers in Woburn, MA for pick-up of the single stream recycle material from the Transfer Station. We are assured that 100% of the materials are recycled. We have received moneys for all of the recycled material based on the published price of #6 newsprint for New England. Due to the recent collapse in commodity prices, this revenue stream is expected to dry up for a while. The good news is that the recyclables, at worst, cost the town nothing compared to a nearly $70 per ton disposal fee for trash. The more you recycle, the more you save the town, and therefore, yourselves as taxpayers.

We are also actively investigating other opportunities to replace the IPR contract upon its expiration. We will be working closely with the Selectmen for necessary public hearings to provide the information upon which good decisions can be made.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fred Plett, Chairman

Cemetery Trustees Report



L-R: Linda Reynolds-Naughton, Joan Konieczny, Jean Walker.

This year was an extremely busy and productive year for the Goffstown Cemetery Trustees with several important issues on the table. After several consultations with the Attorney General's Office and the NH Cemetery Association, the Trustees voted to replace the current cemetery deed with the issuance of a right-to-inter, a legal document that spells out exactly what the purchaser is receiving. The Board of Selectmen approved and signed the document to avoid further misunderstanding that one has purchased a parcel of land, when they are paying for the privilege of interment only. The title to the underlying property remains with the town. It will also make it easier for Trustees to enforce bylaws set forth for the care of public cemeteries in accordance with state statutes.

Burials at all three Goffstown cemeteries increased during 2008 by close to 40% over the previous year with a total of 40 interments, the majority being at Westlawn where 27 burials took place. There appears to be a major shift toward cremations which made up 67% of the total interments at all three cemeteries.

After several meetings and discussions the Trustees voted to discontinue all winter burials at Westlawn Cemetery. The decision was based on the potential damage to nearby monuments and trees when the ground is frozen, the availability of manpower, extra cost to the town for labor and equipment, and input from the Director of Public Works. Families may continue to visit loved ones as the main road into the cemetery will be plowed as usual.

The Trustees met with the Board of Selectmen regarding the Westlawn Extension proposal. After reviewing the number of plots presently available, the average number of plots being sold per year, and the plausible time frame required to complete such a development, the Board of Selectmen agreed that architectural planning, to include replacement of the 112 year old crypt, was necessitated. The Trustees hope that appropriate steps can be taken in a timely manner that would allow the new section to be phased in over a period of five years. It should be noted that both parcels of land originally deeded to the town were to be used for Westlawn Cemetery only. Families are reminded that updated bylaws are posted at the cemeteries and available at the town hall.

Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

SEWER COMMISSION



L-R: Commissioner Stephen Crean, Chairman James Bouchard, Administrative Assistant Ellen Noyes, Commissioner Catherine Whooten, Sel. Representative Vivian Blondeau

The Goffstown Wastewater Facilities Plan Update, contracted to Hoyle Tanner & Assoc. Inc., is nearly finalized. Development of the Plan Update has been undertaken in close coordination with the Town's Planning Department, Economic Development and the Manchester Department of Environmental Protection, Wastewater Treatment Facility. The Plan Update represents a very comprehensive look at the Commission's needs in response to ever-tightening environmental legislation, community economic growth and long-term maintenance, and capacity expansion requirements.

The Commission, through contract with Hoyle Tanner & Assoc. Inc., has undertaken a complete redraft of the Sewer Use Ordinances. The ordinances are now within final review by the NH Department of Environmental Services and the Commission intends to hold a public hearing in early 2009 for acceptance of the Ordinances.

The annual meeting with the City of Manchester WWTF administration focused on Goffstown's role in meeting permit contaminant levels requirements for the Manchester WWTF. Manchester WWTF is renewing their discharge permit, and now, under current EPA regulations, stakeholder towns, including Goffstown, are held liable to contaminant levels. Discussion continues relative to ongoing MWWTF plant upgrades that will maximize the current facility's capacity and provide for future capacity expansion. When the programming of these upgrades is complete, stakeholder costs will be significant.

Future capital investment planning projects under consideration by the Commission include replacement of the existing sewer line on Mast Road from the Manchester town line toward Dunkin Donuts. This line is very antiquated and at capacity. The Commission intends to replace the line within the next few years when the DPW undertakes upgrades to the corridor.

Finally, the Sewer Commission bid adieu to our long-time compatriot and administrative assistant, Marilyn Hozeny. Marilyn retired early this past summer but remained loyal to the Commission, staying on part-time during the search for her replacement. A surprise retirement party was held for our long-time friend and was well attended by past commissioners, town employees, elected officials and friends. The Commissioners thank Marilyn for her many years of dedication. The Commission's new Administrative Assistant, Ellen Noyes, was hired in September. We welcome her and invite the users to stop by and welcome her.

Respectfully Submitted,
James A. Bouchard, Chairman
Stephen R. Crean
Catherine Whooten

Sewer Commission Budget

Revenue

	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUALS (unaudited)	2009 BUDGET
SEWER ADMINISTRATION			
Interest & Penalties	0	17,236.00	10,000
Intergovernmental	47,011	47,011.00	44,976
Interest on Investments	15,000	16,236.68	15,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0.00	0
Budgetary Use of Retained Earnings	101,318	0.00	93,800
Subtotal:	**163,329**	**80,483.68**	**163,776**
Sewer Operations			
Sewer Use Charges	1,396,400.00	1,397,400.00	1,400,000
Special Assessment RVP	5,453.00	5,452.80	5,453
Special Assessment MCP	20,853.00	20,221.44	20,220
Accessibility Revenue	50,000.00	37,500.00	50,000
Special Assessment KNOL	14,968.00	17,028.29	14,344
Miscellaneous Revenue	500.00	1,074.02	500
Subtotal:	**1,488,174.00**	**1,478,676.55**	**1,490,517**
TOTAL:	**1,651,503.00**	**1,559,160.23**	**1,654,293**

Expenditures

ADMINISTRATION	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUALS (unaudited)	2009 BUDGET
SALARIES/BENEFITS	53,393.00	71,232.53	60,455.00
EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT	100.00	80.00	100.00
AUDIT	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	10,000.00	3,407.60	10,000.00
CONTRACTED SVCS (ADMIN)	7,383.00	7,011.50	7,598.00
INSURANCE	7,848.00	1,922.03	7,840.00
POSTAGE	4,543.00	4,529.51	5,084.00
SUPPLIES	1,340.00	1,514.30	1,340.00
COMPUTER	3,600.00	2,100.00	3,700.00
TELECOMMUNICATION	600.00	600.00	600.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	1,000.00	75.00	0.00
INTEREST	75,427.00	75,427.00	60,933.00
PRINCIPAL	260,000.00	260,000.00	260,000.00
SUB TOTAL	**429,734.00**	**432,399.47**	**422,150.00**
SEWER OPERATIONS			
CONTRACT SVCS (DPW)	56,000.00	50,578.51	60,000.00
SEWER PROJECT	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
TRUCK EQUIPMENT/REPAIR	4,000.00	3,191.09	4,000.00
PERSONNEL EQUIP	3,000.00	6,635.33	3,000.00
MNTNCE/SUPPLY	228,000.00	106,119.01	241,000.00
MNTNCE/LABOR (VAC)	17,000.00	14,828.60	17,000.00
SEWER OPERATION (O&M CHRG)	815,133.00	542,852.17	827,747.00
SUB TOTAL	**1,128,133.00**	**724,204.71**	**1,157,747.00**
SEWERAGE/PUMP STATION			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	5,000.00	2,315.00	6,200.00
SUPPLIES	8,900.00	4,056.52	8,900.00
ELECTRICITY	20,000.00	17,010.21	20,867.00
PROPANE GAS	3,140.00	2,296.31	4,778.00
WATER	700.00	656.52	900.00
TELEPHONE ALARM SYS	3,000.00	2,442.30	3,000.00
SOLID WASTE REMOVAL	1.00	2,000.00	1.00
CHEMICALS	750.00	282.41	750.00
DIESEL FUEL	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
PUMP REPAIRS	25,000.00	522.19	25,000.00
SUB TOTAL	**70,491.00**	**31,581.46**	**74,396.00**
TOTAL	**1,628,358.00**	**1,188,185.64**	**1,654,293.00**

Goffstown Village Precinct

COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL REPORT

The year started with a review of water requirements for several projects including Viking Orchards on Worthley Hill Road, Miller Landing on Elm Street and new piping on Merrill Road.

Our water quality and pressure require continuing attention as seasons change. Summer water comes mostly from the wells on North Mast Street next to the river behind our office. Summer supply depends on the two reservoirs on Mountain Road. Both of these facilities have electricity generators in case of emergency. The half million gallon tank on High Street helps to balance supply, and could be invaluable in case of a major fire. The fire hydrants are flushed regularly to help keep the mains clear.

Service water line breaks have happened on a few occasions and these have all been repaired.

This work involves chlorinating the new components with a noticeable taste right after the work.

Our upgrades of water mains are often coordinated with street upgrades where needed. A large item in our annual budget covers replacement of undersize, old or broken lines. Separation of water service equipment serving two homes on High Street was considered but rejected by the Board as impractical.

We are pleased to report that the Village water system with about 1000 subscribers enjoys safe drinking water that meets or exceeds federal and state requirements. Monthly water samples are sent to Concord for bacteria testing. One of our satellite water systems will soon be expanded to accommodate some new construction, and our other recently acquired separate system is being monitored to cope with high levels of iron and manganese from their wells. Restriction of water usage is under consideration to aide in improving water quality. Other work to correct this condition will start soon.

Equipment improvements continue including a new fully equipped service van, computer components, tools and safety items. A coordinated forestry cut has been completed removing growth near maturity permitting new trees to grow. A contract was issued for the water main project on Elm Street and the work was completed on schedule.

The Board of Commissioners meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Precinct Office, 183 No. Mast Street.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allen D. Gamans, Chairman

WARRANT
FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 16, 2009

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on Precinct affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Village Precinct Office in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 16, 2009, at 7:00 in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator and Clerk.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the 2009 Budget as proposed by the Board of Commissioners and approved by the Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Forty-Four Thousand, Five Hundred Twenty Dollars ($644,520.00) for the ensuing year..

ARTICLE IV

To hear the reports of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE V

To transact any other business that my lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 13th day of January, 2009.

Allen D. Gamans, 2010 Henry C. Boyle, 2013 Raymond Taber, 2011
Richard Fletcher, 2009 Richard Coughlin, 2012

EXPENDITURES:	2008 Budget	2008 YTD* Unaudited	2009 Budget
Executive	**122,000**	**121,156**	**128,500**
salaries	122,000	121,156	122,000
Fin. Administration	**5,670**	**4,394**	**8,070**
audit	2,000	2,200	2,400
bus. Supplies	2,200	1,865	2,200
office equipment	1,000	130	3,000
personnel supplies	400	128	400
safe dep. Box	70	70	70
Personnel Adm	**68,135**	**68,241**	**62,580**
fica	9,400	9,267	9,835
health ins	52,500	50,698	46,715
w/c ins	3,400	2,237	3,000
retir. Fund	2,800	5,999	3,000
unemp. Ins.	35	40	30
Building Maint.	**3,000**	**1,565**	**3,000**
office buliding	1,000	637	1,000
filtration plant	1,000	393	1,000
wells tank	1,000	535	1,000
General Ins.	**3,400**	**3,705**	**3,805**
liability/prop	3,200	3,605	3,605
bond	200	100	200
Legal	**1,500**	0	**1,500**
Adv/Reg. Assoc.	**3,500**	**3,972**	**3,750**
advertising	500	202	500
assn fees	500	795	500
license fees	2,000	2,525	2,000
meeting exp	500	450	750
Other Gen Govt.	**17,500**	**20,799**	**18,200**
vehicle exp	3,500	8,490	4,000
office heat/elec	3,500	3,858	4,000
telephone/internet	5,100	4,767	4,800
postage	3,200	2,959	3,200
comp support	700	725	700
forestry	0	0	0
engineering	1,500	0	1,500
Water Services	**34,700**	**32,923**	**34,700**

contract labor	6,000	5,751	6,000
hydrant repairs	3,000	205	3,000
dam repairs	500	6,712	500
service repairs	5,000	10,804	5,000
main repairs	14,700	6,873	14,700
meter repairs	200	0	200
pump repairs	1,500	1,332	1,500
equipment repairs	1,000	1,246	1,000
road repairs	500	0	500
new services	2,000	0	2,000
thawing	300	0	300
Water Treatment	**68,600**	**74,496**	**75,695**
chemicals	12,000	13,883	8,095
electric	24,000	29,110	24,000
heat	4,500	7,570	6,500
glenview exp.	3,600	3,961	3,600
supplies	3,000	1,396	3,000
water tests	6,500	5,784	6,500
mtn. laurel water	15,000	12,792	24,000
Sewage	**13,000**	**10,133**	**18,000**
Debt Service	**86,520**	**86,490**	**83,310**
bond principal	60,000	60,000	60,000
bond interest	26,520	26,490	23,310
Capital Outlay/Improv.	**200,000**	**197,546**	**185,810**
contingency fund	10,000	0	10,000
capitalreplac. Septic	10,000	9,170	10,000
main/system upgrades	179,000	188,376	164,810
building improvments	1,000	0	1,000
Mach/Equipment	**41,000**	**26,271**	**5,000**
house meters	2,000	0	2,000
new equipment	3,000	2,652	3,000
new vehicle	36,000	23,619	0
Operating transfers out	**13,350**	**7,375**	**12,600**
septic	13,350	7,375	12,600
vehicle	0	0	0
TOTAL	**681,875**	**659,066**	**644,520**

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT

	2008 Budget	2008 Actuals (unaudited)	2009 Budget
INCOME:			
Water Charge	**516,190**	**537,259**	**516,190**
metered water	358,190	377,859	358,190
flat rate	100,000	101,400	100,000
hydrants	58,000	58,000	58,000
OTHER	**96,000**	**61,528**	**72,000**
booster station	4,500	4,006	4,500
thawing	350	0	350
forestry	30,000	0	
hyd repair	2,900	392	2,900
new services	8,000	0	8,000
on/off	300	230	300
service repair	2,000	4,725	2,000
meter repair	50	0	50
ins. Refund	0	1	0
Mtn Laurel water	18,000	20,619	24,000
security grant	0	0	0
Mtn Laurel Septic	26,400	26,702	26,400
bond int refund	0	0	0
pool fill	300	200	300
engineering	0	244	0
misc.	3,200	4,409	3,200
Savings Interest	**12,000**	**13,907**	**12,000**
Shared Revenue	**25,461**	**25,461**	**24,480**
SUBTOTAL	**649,651**	**638,155**	**624,670**
Sav transfer vehicle	**15,000**	15,000	
Sav. Transfer general	**17,224**	5,911	19,850
TOTAL	**681,875**	**659,066**	**644,520**

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

The Grasmere Village Water Precinct enjoyed a stable year in 2008. Keith Moore represented the Precinct in all the necessary digging near our water lines whenever there was a break or construction. Keith Moore, Christine Daniels, and Bill Gordon, attended different workshops related to licensing and best business practice management for the Precinct. The Mast Road water main upgrade did not proceed this year due to cost factors. We learned about a possible grant opportunity for upgrading the Mast Road water main and the grant will be submitted in July 2009.
Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Daniels, Chairman

2009 Warrant

To the members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, you are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at seven (7:00 p.m.) o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE #1 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011.

ARTICLE #2 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011.

ARTICLE #3 To choose a Moderator for the year 2009.

ARTICLE #4 To choose a Clerk for the year 2009.

ARTICLE #5 To choose a Treasurer for the year 2009.

ARTICLE #6 To see if the Precinct will vote to approve the budget by the Commissioners and approved by the Budget Committee to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Three Thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty Four Dollars ($153,844.00) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE #7 To discuss and act upon any other business which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's annual meeting and it is hoped that all members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Christine Daniels, William Swanson, Raymond St. Pierre
William Gordon, Alternate
Commissioners of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Given this Seventeenth (17) day of January, 2009, under our hands.

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

EXPENDITURES

	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUALS	2009 BUDGET
EXECUTIVE	**$37,569.64**	**$38,672.39**	**$42,290.93**
SALARIES	$37,569.64		$41,290.93
MILEAGE	$0.00		$1,000.00
FIN. ADMIN	**$2,400.00**	**$709.36**	**$2,500.00**
AUDIT	$1,200.00	$0.00	$1,200.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	$500.00	$164.34	$500.00
POSTAGE	$700.00	$545.02	$800.00
POST OFFICE BOX	INCL.	INCL.	INCL.
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	**$200.00**	**$0.00**	**$200.00**
	$200.00	$0.00	$200.00
INSURANCE			
LIABILITY/PROPERTY	**$2,250.00**	**$2,500.00**	**$2,000.00**
	$2,250.00	$2,500.00	$2,000.00
LEGAL	**$1,000.00**	**$35.70**	**$1,000.00**
	$1,000.00	$35.70	$1,000.00
ADV./REG. ASSOC.	**$750.00**	**$355.00**	**$700.00**
TRAINING	$500.00	$0.00	$500.00
ASS.FEE	$250.00	$355.00	$200.00
OTHER GEN/GOV	**$7,700.00**	**$3,437.38**	**$3,500.00**
TELEPHONE	$700.00	$422.02	$500.00
ELECTRIC	$7,000.00	$3,015.36	$3,000.00
WATER SERVICES	**$136,700.00**	**$81,005.10**	**$101,500.00**
MANCHESTER WW	$105,000.00	$78,326.80	$85,000.00
SERVICE REPAIRS	$11,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00
CONTRACT LABOR	$10,000.00	$1,100.00	$10,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIRS	$800.00	$125.00	$800.00
METER REPAIRS	INCL.	INCL.	INCL.
NEW SERVICES	$3,000.00	$0.00	$3,000.00
WATER TESTS	$2,400.00	$700.00	$1,200.00
MAINT. SUPPLIES	$4,500.00	$753.30	$500.00
SNOW PLOWING	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
SUBTOTAL	**$188,569.64**	**$126,715.93**	**$153,690.93**
DEBT SERVICE	**$0.00**		**$0.00**
	$0.00		$0.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS			
RT 114 MAIN			
BACK ROAD			
	$228,569.64	**$126,715.93**	**$153,690.63**

Grasmere Village Water Precinct
REVENUE

	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUALS	2009 BUDGET
WATER CHARGE	**$162,469.64**	**$146,415.03**	**$144,490.63**
BASE	$145,005.04	$129,002.57	$126,207.90
FIRE PROTECTION	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
HYDRANT RENTAL	$17,364.60	$17,364.50	$18,232.73
MISC	$100.00	$47.96	$50.00
OTHER	**$21,300.00**	**$302.50**	**$4,300.00**
HYDRANT REPAIR	$800.00	$0.00	$500.00
SERVICE REPAIR	$200.00	$302.50	$500.00
ON/OFF	$100.00	$0.00	$100.00
NEW SERVICE	$20,000.00	$0.00	$3,000.00
METER REPAIR	$200.00	$0.00	$200.00
SERVICE CONTRACT	**$4,800.00**	**$4,900.00**	**$4,900.00**
SUB TOTAL	**$188,569.64**	**$151,617.53**	
TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE	**$40,000.00**	**$0.00**	
TOTAL	**$228,569.64**	**$151,617.53**	**$153,690.63**

OFFICIAL BALLOT
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN
MARCH 10, 2009

SELECTMEN
For 3 YearsVote for not more than Two
Nicholas "Nick" Campasano ☐
Steve Fournier ☐
Bill Gordon ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE
For 3 YearsVote for not more than Four
Guy Caron ☐
Daniel J. Cloutier ☐
Steve Fournier ☐
Roxann R. Hunt ☐
Dorine L. Olson ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

CEMETERY TRUSTEES
For 3 YearsVote for not more than One
Joan Konieczny ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
For 2 YearsVote for not more than One
Mike Lawler ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
For 3 YearsVote for not more than Two
Richard Chamberlin ☐
Sara Santoro ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

PLANNING BOARD
For 3 YearsVote for not more than Two
Collis G. Adams ☐
Roxann R. Hunt ☐
Alan H. Yeaton ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

PLANNING BOARD
For 1 Year Vote for not more than One
Steven J. Dutton ☐
Barbara Griffin ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

SEWER COMMISSION
For 3 YearsVote for not more than One
James A. Bouchard ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For 3 YearsVote for not more than One
Scott Huddy ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
For 1 year Vote for not more than One
Leonard "Len" Stuart ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
For 2 YearsVote for not more than One
Kevin Reigstad ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
For 3 YearsVote for not more than One
Jo Ann Duffy ☐
Denise M. Herman ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 3 by inserting a new section between Sections 3.5 and 3.6, renumbering as appropriate, this new section to read:

3.6 Workforce Housing

3.6.1 In the event that an applicant intends to qualify for workforce housing under RSA 674:60I, the Planning Board may require agreements so that the units so designated would remain as workforce housing.

3.6.2 In order to evaluate the cost of complying with the conditions and restrictions and the effect on economic viability, under RSA 674:40II, the Planning Board would expect that the applicant's submission would include, but not be limited to, square-foot size of dwelling units, number of bedrooms, property cost, site development cost, cost of off-site improvements, unit construction cost per square foot, architectural and engineering cost, legal cost, construction financing cost, developer's profit, cost of conditions and restrictions.

Planning Board voted 5-2-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 4.3, Table of Dimensional Regulations, so that the footnote "Less setback or more building footprint by Planning Board Conditional Use Permit." will also apply to the Residential Density-2 district.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 5.21, Residential Small Business Office-1, by adding a new Section 5.21.7 to read: The issuance of a demolition permit shall require a conditional use permit, with the Planning Board finding, in addition to Section 15.4.1 Conditional Use Standards, that there has been a fire, natural disaster or other casualty loss requiring building demolition, or that the proposed demolition will not be materially harmful to the stated intent of this district.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 5.23, Residential Wind Turbine in order to meet changes in State Statute, RSA 674:62 through 674:66, the full text of which is available at the Town Office.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 6.4.2, adding a new sentence reading: Signs, for which sign content is changed electronically, shall require a Conditional Use Permit.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 13.3 Wetland and Surface Water Conservation (WSWC) District by removing language relating to process which is more appropriately contained within the Planning Board's Development Regulations, the full text of which is available at the Town Office.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Section 15.3.1.1.2 to read: Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest.

Planning Board voted 7-0-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment #11 as proposed by the Planning Board, to specifically include fencing as one of the items that would be reviewed in an Historic District, by amending Section 3.4.4: adding "fence" after the word structure in the first sentence and adding "or the erection, alteration or removal of any fence" at the end of this Section's last sentence.

Planning Board voted 6-1-0 to recommend.

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Three Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars ($19,362,358)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Two Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Five Dollars ($19,267,455), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 9-5-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) to be placed in the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund which was established by vote of last year's Town Meeting? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 10.)

Board of Selectmen voted 5-0-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 8-6-0 to not recommend.

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 10.)

Board of Selectmen voted 4-1-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 11-2-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000) for the purpose of paying the purchase price as well as all related costs, (title search, closing costs, etc.), for the acquisition of a portion of Map 38, Lot 101, (12 High Street, land abutting the Library), (subject to an approved lot line adjustment), which property will be owned in the name of the Town, but will be used for library purposes and shall be managed and controlled by the Library Trustees; and, further, to authorize the Library Trustees to withdraw and expend all of said appropriated funds from available monies in unrestricted Library Funds; and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into any and all necessary agreements and execute any documents to facilitate this purchase, with the understanding that none of said amount shall be raised by general taxation? **(Passage of this appropriation will not impact the tax rate.)**

Board of Selectmen voted 4-1-0 to recommend.
Budget Committee voted 12-1-1 to recommend.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 149-M, authorize the Selectmen to enter into an intermunicipal agreement for the purpose of arranging for the disposal of the Town's recyclable solid waste, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town?

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B: 2 II? The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's General Fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Parks & Recreation Commission (no further town meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreational purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

2009 Official Ballot
Goffstown School District
March 10, 2009

ARTICLE 1

To choose all School District officers for the ensuing years:

SCHOOL BOARD *1 for 2 years*
Suzanne "Sue" Tremblay ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

SCHOOL BOARD *3 for 3 years*
Keith Allard ☐
Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon ☐
Kent Nolan ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR *1 for 3 years*
James Raymond ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER *1 for 3 years*
Lissa Winrow ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK *1 for 3 years*
Jo Ann Duffy ☐
Write-In _____ ☐

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY FOUR MILLION, SIX HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN DOLLARS ($34,660,647.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY FIVE MILLION, SIX HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS ($35,635,675.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 3

Shall the School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($60,000.00) to conduct a study and to begin the preliminary work for the expansion of the School District's School facilities? Funds to come from year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1 of 2009. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote is required).

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Goffstown School District pay for the prorated salary, benefits, and transportation of the School Resources Officer (SRO) and to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND FORTY THREE DOLLARS ($54,043.00) for this purpose? This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote is required).

ARTICLE 5

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14? (3/5 Majority vote required) (Submitted by petition.)

School Board Report



Seated L-R; Lorry Cloutier, Chair Keith Allard, Ginny McKinnon
Standing L-R Phillip Kendall, Jeff Tate, Vice-Chair Philip Pancoast, Kent Nolan, Hank Bovle. Absent: Suzanne Tremblav: Student Rep. Tom Hart

During 2008 the Goffstown School Board worked hard to ensure that our children received a quality education that challenged every student. As a School Board, we continue to focus on curriculum development, staff training, and communication with the public. We are also continuing to work with our administrators, teachers, and parents to refine the curriculum and to integrate technology into the daily classroom experience. Our teachers and students work hard to embrace new technologies in an effort to better prepare the next generation for the future.

Perpetual changes at the State and Federal level continue to create challenges for public education. As a school board we have taken a proactive and vocal role in the funding of public education. The Goffstown School Board hosted a forum of legislative leaders to discuss legislation that will affect public education. We hope to expand upon this and host two additional forums in 2009. On the federal level, the school district strives to meet the requirements of No Child Left Behind (NCLB). With the swearing in of a new administration in Washington, we are hopeful that the shortfalls of NCLB will be addressed and necessary funding to implement this law will finally be provided.

In 2009 we intend to continue to challenge our administrators to review current practices and test data to improve the delivery of educational services. We have and will continue to make numerous enhancements to our course offerings to promote academic rigor at all levels and for all students.

It is clear that our students benefit from and take advantage of the varied co-curricular programs being offered. From athletics to art and drama, students are being engaged and given additional support and guidance. Over 1000 students actively participate in after school activities at our schools. Well documented studies continue to support that the more students participate in co-curricular programs the greater reward they receive from their academic experience. Volunteers play a vital role in our schools. It is their efforts combined with academics and co-curricular activities that create a positive environment for our students to excel. I can only begin to share how much these volunteers are appreciated and valued by the School Board and staff of our schools. It is this combination of teachers, support staff, administrators, parents, and volunteers that allow us to create so many wonderful opportunities for the students.

I would be remiss if I did not mention that the Goffstown School District lost two dedicated proponents of public education in New Hampshire. First was the retirement of Dr. Darrell Lockwood. Dr. Lockwood served the children of our town for the past ten years as Superintendent of SAU 19. During his tenure we saw significant improvements at all of our schools and the development of public kindergarten in Goffstown. As both Dr. Lockwood and Assistant Superintendent Kathleen Titus left the SAU administrative team, a new team was created. Stacy Buckley, formerly Assistant Superintendent, was hired as the new Superintendent of Schools. The SAU then hired two new Assistant Superintendents, Mary Claire Barry and Brian Balke. On behalf of the Goffstown School Board, we welcome these administrators to their new positions and look forward to working together in the years to come.

The second was the retirement of School Board member Sara Sarette. Sara served on the board for over twenty years and was an integral part of the changes and improvements that occurred over the past two decades. On behalf of the Goffstown School Board, we wish the best to both of them. In addition, we are also fortunate to have principals like Frank McBride, Jim Hunt, Marc Boyd, Davis Bousquet, and Leslie Doster to help us with operating our schools.

It would be impossible not to mention the recession that has hit our federal, state, and local economies. The School Board and Administrators realized early-on the need to scale back on projects and costs in order to help keep the tax rate down. Cuts were made in nearly all departments and for the first time in recent history we presented a proposed budget to the Budget Committee that was below the default budget. This was a challenge to do while ensuring we provide a quality education for all our children.

In closing I would like to give a special thanks to my peers on the Goffstown School Board who served countless hours to provide a quality education to the children of Goffstown. It has been a pleasure to serve with you over the past six years and an honor to serve as Chairman again this year. I look forward to continuing to serve and working with the administrators, teachers, staff, volunteers, and students that make Goffstown School District a point of pride for the community.

Keith Allard, Chairman
Goffstown School Board

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

On behalf of School Administrative Unit #19, I present this 2007-2008 report of the Superintendent of Schools. As the new Superintendent of Schools, I am honored to continue the initiatives and efforts that SAU #19 has worked hard over the years to develop. This important work focuses around the continued Advancement of Student Learning.

This year's biggest change at the Central Office was the retirement of long time Superintendent Dr. Darrell Lockwood. Throughout the last 10 years that Dr. Lockwood held this position, he brought an excitement for learning that continually permeated through all our classrooms, schools, Faculty, Staff, and Administration. Dr. Lockwood brought many initiatives to fruition throughout his tenure in the SAU and should be commended for his enthusiasm and persistence in supporting the entire school community. Kathi Titus, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction also retired at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. Kathi provided a vital support in bringing forward our current curriculum cycles, instructional strategies for our teachers, and continual support for all of our staff. The 2008-2009 school year brings three new SAU Administrator's into these roles. In addition to my change in roles (formerly Assistant Superintendent of Student Services), SAU#19 welcomes MaryClaire Barry to the role of Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction and Brian Balke to the role of Assistant Superintendent for Student Services.

There are many exciting and wonderful things happening throughout SAU#19. This school year brought a continued focus on the districts professional development master plan, the Integrated Model for Advancing Student Learning. The model was revised during the previous academic year and two new initiatives came out of this work. The SAU assessed a variety of ways in which expectations and outcomes for teaching can be enhanced, measured, and evaluated. Through many hours of research, SAU#19 adopted a new course for teachers entitled, "Instructional Practices That Maximize Student Achievement". This course outlines best practices that all teachers should be evidencing in the classroom. MaryClaire Barry, Assistant Superintendent, and Kevin Farley, Curriculum Coordinator for Goffstown High School attended a comprehensive training program in order to be proficient at teaching this graduate level course. We now ask all of our new teachers to take this course. We have evidenced a significant increase in consistency of our classroom expectations and instructional strategies through this professional development activity.

The second part of this initiative was continued professional development with the entire administrative team of SAU #19 around the Supervision and Evaluation Process. Over several days during the summer, the administrative team received advanced training in the supervision and evaluation of teachers, specifically in how to correlate best practices of instructional strategies, teachers professional development goal plans, student outcomes, and curriculum benchmarks and standards. The ultimate goal of teacher evaluation is to evidence the effective interplay of all of these components. We are now able to see consistent evaluations that assess all of these areas and provide valuable

feedback to all of our staff. The outcome of this approach is to enhance the skills of our strong teaching faculty in order to continue to move the advancement of our students learning and engagement in the educational process.

Mountain View Middle School has begun the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEAS&C) self-study process. While this process is optional for Middle Schools, this is a great opportunity for Mountain View Middle School to look at and assess a variety of components. The study assesses the following core components; mission of the school, curriculum, instruction, assessment, school resources, community resources, and leadership. The faculty has been involved in gathering data and evidence for all of the identified areas. The NEAS&C committee will be completing the study process in March of 2009 with a four day onsite visit.

This year also brought a new science curriculum, including new materials. In an effort to engage our students in inquiry based instruction, the science materials purchased for use in our classroom focuses on content mastery through many inquiry based activities. Students no longer need to know just the answers to problems, they also need to know how they were able to get there and how they may apply the problem solving process to other areas. This advanced skill is emphasized in the new materials. The Social Studies Curriculum was also revised to align with the state standards. Implementation of the Social Studies curriculum and new materials will be put into practice during the 2008-2009 school year.

In June of 2008, the new Special Education Rules for the State of New Hampshire were adopted. These new rules brought forth many mandatory changes in policies and practices for our special education programs and students. Many of the revisions that were approved in this process go above the requirements of the Federal Special Education Law- IDEA. Several people, including myself, spoke vehemently on maintaining the level of requirements that would match the federal law. Unfortunately, several rules were passed that go well beyond the federal law, thus created additional unfunded mandates by the State of New Hampshire.

Brent Rogers, Principal of Dunbarton Elementary School for the past three years, retired at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. We thank Brent for his dedication to the school and the entire community of Dunbarton. Carol Thibaudeau was hired as the new Principal of Dunbarton Elementary School. Carol has been a wonderful addition to the school community and the administrative team of SAU #19.

New Boston continues to explore the feasibility of adding an addition onto the Central School. Classroom space is at its capacity and more room is needed. Rick Matthews, Principal, has been working with the architects to develop a plan that fits with the current school and provides for the necessary space needed. The New Boston Central School also had a wonderful and exciting Artist in Residence Program this year. The students, along with Huey (the Artist in Residence), created a DVD titled "The American Spirit of New Boston". Through a variety of mediums, the students were able to recreate the history of

New Boston. This is certainly a DVD that all New Boston residents should watch!

Seven teachers retired from our schools at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. We send many thanks for their years of service and wish them well in all of their future endeavors. Best wishes to Dorothy Swauger who retired from Maple Avenue Elementary School; Tom Bowles, Sue Bracy, MaryAnn Habib, Dave Pearson, and Kathy Piper who retired from Mountain View Middle School; and Crystal Chen who retired from Goffstown High School.

A Multi-year master agreement for teachers was approved at the annual School District Meeting in Dunbarton in March of 2008. A New Boston Support Staff agreement (proposed for three years) will be on the ballot in March 2009.

The Goffstown School Board awarded a Cornerstone Award to Linda Mistretta. The Cornerstone award is given to individuals who work in any capacity or who have been highly involved in our school district. Ms. Mistretta has worked in the Goffstown School District for the past thirty-four years. The most recent nineteen years as a media specialist. Linda has done an outstanding job in her tenure in the Goffstown School District. She is an exceptional educator and is highly respected in the educational community for the outstanding work that she does.

We also wish to extend our thanks to several School Board members for their years of service. We had three board members complete their service during the 2007-2008 school year. These members are John Herlihy (Dunbarton), Audrey Schneider (New Boston), and Paul Scopa (New Boston).

On behalf of the students, school boards, faculty, and staff, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the communities of Goffstown, Dunbarton, and New Boston for their continued support of the educational programs and services of SAU #19.

Stacy Buckley
Superintendent of Schools

Goffstown School District
Deliberative Ballot Session Meeting
Monday, February 4, 2008

Moderator, James Raymond, called the 2008 School District Deliberative Session to order at 7:10 p.m. There were 41 registered voters in attendance. Counters were Rosemary Garrett, Peter Jenkins, Russell Day and Fred Plett.

J. Raymond: The Official Ballot Act moved our meetings to February from the old meeting date of March. We precede rather than follow the high school musical, which this year is Beauty and the Beast. Doug and Josh have agreed to loan the cast to open our meeting tonight.

The cast of Beauty and the Beast led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance; and sung the National Anthem. The cast then shared a wonderful musical number with the audience.

J. Raymond: Goffstown operates so well because volunteers spend a large amount of time in the community. I want to acknowledge the School Board. J. Raymond introduced members of the Goffstown School Board: Keith Allard, Chair; Philip Pancoast, Vice-Chair; Henry Boyle, Lorry Cloutier, Phillip Kendall; Ginny McKinnon; Kent Nolan; Sara Sarette; and Jeffrey Tate. He then introduced Budget Committee Chair Daniel Cloutier and members of the Budget Committee.

I will allow members of administration and Legislators speak.

The Following members of the SAU #19 Administration were also introduced: Dr. Darrell Lockwood, Superintendent of Schools; Kathi Titus, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Stacy Buckley, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Raymond Labore, Business Administrator; Jerry Agate, Facilities Director; Marc Boyle, Principal of Maple Avenue Elementary School; David Bousquet, Principal of Bartlett Elementary School; Mary Singer, Assistant Principal of Goffstown High School; James Hunt, Principal of Mountain View Middle School; and Leslie Doster, Principal of Glen Lake Elementary School.

J. Raymond: I would also like to introduce Fred Plett, Assistant Moderator; Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk; and myself, Jim Raymond, Moderator.

Keith Allard – Presentation of awards

The Goffstown School Board wished to recognize exceptional service to our school district. To this end, the Dream Keeper Award and Cornerstone Award were established. The Dream Keeper Award is designed to recognize people or organizations that truly have gone the extra mile to make the Goffstown dream of providing a superior education a reality. This year we do not have a recipient for this award.

The Cornerstone Award is awarded to individuals who work full-time or part-time in any capacity or who have been highly involved in our school district. Each individual need not have served in any one position for that one-year period, but the cumulative total of regular service is to be at least one year. During that time, the individual should have performed duties in such an outstanding manner that has significantly contributed to the goals of the Goffstown School District of Advancing Student Learning. This may include job performance and involvement in other district activities. Also, additional volunteer work in service to the school district is used to support a nomination. The intent of the Cornerstone Award is to recognize individuals whose service has been truly outstanding to the overall educational climate of the school district and who exhibit commitment, good human relations skills, loyalty, dedication and good organizational/work habits.

It is my honor and pleasure to present this year's Corner Stone award to Linda Mistretta.

Linda is in the midst of her thirty-fourth year as an elementary school educator in the Goffstown School District. She spent her first fifteen years as a primary grade level teacher at the Bartlett Elementary School. For the past

nineteen years she has been the Elementary School Media Director and for the last three years has been assigned exclusively to the Maple Avenue Elementary School. During her tenure in the District she has proven to be an exceptional educator, a leader among the staff and an individual that parents/guardians look up to with respect and awe for her ability to work with children and direct the Media Center at the school.

When staff was asked to best describe Linda, the following comments were shared.

-Always willing to share her time and knowledge

-A leader by example

-She has a flare for fashion. I assume that must stem from the times she dressed up several times as the statue of liberty at school. I am told that there is a striking resemblance.

-Finally she was described as the Martha Stewart of Maple Avenue School. This explains to coordinating towels in the staff restroom.

As the Maple Avenue Elementary School's Media Director, Linda has proven herself to be invaluable. She is an exemplary professional in all aspects of her role and continues on a daily basis to advance student learning at the school. I am privileged to present a Goffstown Cornerstone Award to Linda Mistretta.

Congratulations Linda!

GHS Ninth Grade English Teacher Peter Galamaga is first runner-up for the 2007 Teacher of the Year competition. Mr. Galamaga was recognized at the NH Leadership in Education dinner at a November 2007 Manchester Monarchs game. In recognition of his achievement, Goffstown High School will receive a grant of $2000.

A fifth-year teacher at GHS in a 14-year teaching career, Peter is an engaging professional with a deep knowledge of and passion for his subject matter. He is a reflective, cutting-edge practitioner who generously shares with colleagues in all disciplines and levels. He has been a key player in improving learning for all ninth grade students at GHS.

Peter's subject matter interest is deep and genuine. He knows and understands literature and reads voraciously—from Frank McCourt's Teacher Man to Chaim Potok's Old Men at Midnight. He cares about language, and is quickly expressive in speech and in writing. Even his email communications are lucid, interesting, and graceful.

Although he has undeniable leadership and persuasive skills, Peter is committed—for life, he says—to being a teacher in the classroom. The interaction with that group of 20 ninth graders feeds and engages him. He grows and glows as he gets them to connect with the material and develop their reading, writing, and speaking skills.

Having Peter Galamaga on staff is like having a bubbling percolator of ideas and connections. He investigates all sides of an issue, carefully selecting and evaluating the sources for his research—whether the topic is heterogeneous grouping or best practice for SAT preparation. Then he shares: it can be by simply stopping by to talk, sending an email, or dropping a folder of the most

relevant articles on your desk. People listen to him because he is a knowledgeable speaker who brings the same honest engagement to colleagues and parents as he does to his students.

Peter is a technophile whose use and knowledge of the web and Internet sources have made him a valuable resource to the English department and to our school. Blogging and podcasting are part of his teaching repertoire. Peter's communication skills connect him easily with teachers and administrators within the school and around the world. He played a key role in the school adoption of the Eval-U-Write program for computer-assisted writing being used with grades 9 and 10 this year.

Dr. Mary Singer, the Assistant Principal who nominated him and followed his progress through the arduous nine-month selection process, describes him as "the best English teacher I have seen in 30 years of teaching—an ideal candidate for New Hampshire Teacher of the Year. He serves as a catalyst for better teaching and learning in the high school. Goffstown is lucky to have him."

The Goffstown School Board could not agree more. We are truly blessed to have Peter, as well as others, as part of our talented school family.

Congratulations Peter!

Goffstown Hall of Fame -

David Wildman, a 1965 graduate of Goffstown High School led the team to their first basketball state championship game against Hopkinton in 1965. When he graduated from Goffstown High School he was the all time leading basketball scorer with 1396 points, a mark that still stands today along with the single game scoring mark of 50 points. Remember that these accomplishments came in the era before the three point shot. He was a four-year varsity starter averaging over 15 points a game. Dave also played baseball as a junior and senior. In addition to athletics Dave served as junior class president and senior class vice president.

In addition to Dave Wildman, the 1957 soccer team, on the 50th anniversary of the first NHIAA Championship in Goffstown High School History, was also inducted into the GHS Hall of Fame. This also happened to be the first soccer championship awarded by the NHIAA. Goffstown defeated Oyster River in the quarterfinals, Hinsdale in the semi-finals, and Colebrook 2-1 in the Championship, which was played at Manchester West High School. The team was given a banquet where each player received a championship jacket commemorating the season.

J. Raymond: Last year, I gave you the long lecture of the Deliberative Session and how it evolved. I won't put you through that again. In the good old days, town and school meetings were held on the second Tuesday in March. On the business side we debated warrant articles, amended warrant articles and voted on warrant articles. With the adoption of the Official Ballot Law, they put everything on the Official Ballot, which is still voted on in the second Tuesday in March. Everyone should come to the polls at the High School or at Bartlett School and vote on the town and school warrant articles. That leaves the discussion of warrant articles and amending warrant articles with us tonight. If you do not amend, everything goes on the ballot as presented. We have also talked at length about rules of procedure. It is the moderator who determines

rules of procedure. Roberts Rules are used as a guide. They are very confusing and very difficult and don't provide a practical guide. I have asked Fred Plett to do some research and he found a dusty old volume Raymond's and Plett's simplified rules. If you wish to speak, you must wait to be recognized. You must come to the microphones. If you wish to make an amendment, it must be done in writing. If you want a written secret ballot, it takes five voters to make this request. We will take votes to restrict reconsideration after a vote is taken. We are going to go right into the warrant. The School Board will introduce each article. I am inviting the Budget Committee to speak if they want to.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($816,000.00) to begin Phase I upgrade and expansion of the Bartlett Elementary School and authorize the withdrawal of SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($600,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of TWO HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($216,000.00) is to come from school impact fees. Furthermore, to see if the School District will vote to designate the School Board as agents to expend from the Bartlett Elementary School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #4, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority Vote Required). (The School Board recommends this article). (The Budget Committee recommends this Article).

Passage of this article will allow for Phase 1 of the Bartlett Elementary School project to begin. This phase is organized into four "sub-projects". (1) site work to improve bus lanes to the school; (2) structural work to include masonry repairs to the building foundation and brick work on exterior walls; (3) architectural design, renovation and construction of health office area, administrative offices, educational work area and storage areas; and (4) electrical and mechanical system upgrades including updates and refurbishments to the current electrical, alarm, HVAC and fire suppression systems.

As these funds have been previously set aside, there is no additional tax impact by the passing of this article. The existing Capital Reserve Fund was authorized and created by the district's voters at the 2005 District Meeting. It was developed during prior years by deposits from the School District's Unreserved Fund Balance. School Impact Fees are paid by developers.

Jeff Tate moved, seconded by Kent Nolan to move and speak to Article 2, as printed on the Warrant.

Jeff Tate: The School Board would utilize previously approved capital reserve funds and impact fees for the Bartlett School renovation.

No questions were received.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($300,000.00) to be added to the existing Bartlett Elementary School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund for Phase II of the upgrade and expansion of the Bartlett Elementary School. Furthermore, to

fund this trust from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1 of 2008. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #4, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required). (The School Board recommends this Article). (The Budget Committee recommends this Article).

This article asks voters for permission to place $300,000 into the existing Capital Reserve Fund established for the renovation of the Bartlett Elementary School. This deposit is intended to provide partial funding required to support building and infrastructure updates, which are scheduled to be a part of the Phase 2 segment of the renovation project.

There is no additional impact to the tax rate, since this amount will be transferred from the projected undesignated fund balance, which will be available to the school district on July 1, 2008.

Philip Pancoast moved, seconded by Ginny McKinnon to move and speak to Article 3, as printed on the Warrant.

Dan Cloutier: Even though there is no additional impact, there would be an impact the following year; is that correct?

P. Pancoast: There would be a tax impact to fund the capital reserve fund out of the existing budget because these dollars would not be available to offset the tax rate, but there would not be an increase in the tax rate.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling THIRTY FOUR MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY TWO THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED FIFTY ONE DOLLARS ($34,822,651.00). Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY FOUR MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX THOUSAND, EIGHTY DOLLARS ($34,566,080.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law. In the event this Article is defeated, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. (The School Board recommends this Article). (The Budget Committee recommends this Article).

The School Board and the Goffstown Budget Committee have worked together on budget development over the past five months with an eye toward minimizing budget cost growth while ensuring that the children of our community continue to be the recipients of a quality educational experience.

The General Fund portion of the proposed budget is, in essence, a maintenance budget. These dollars support programming for the preschool/kindergarten school, two elementary schools, the middle and high schools. The district is populated by more than 3,000 students. In addition, the proposed budget supports specialized in-district and out-of-district programming for some of our neediest students.

The General Fund supports scheduled cycles of curriculum revision and technology integration. Curriculum emphasis for the upcoming year will be

focused on Social Studies, Wellness/Health and World Languages instructional methods and resources in order to assure alignment with statewide frameworks and assessment criteria. Technology emphasis continues to be focused on the Information and Communication Technologies Literacy Program in grades K-12. The program weaves technology experiences into all subject content areas and at all grade levels. Technology budget funds will be used to maintain software and safe, reliable networks to transmit information among schools, central office and parents. The budget provides for one new Guidance Coordinator position, required by state regulation to support student population levels projected within our school district.

The Federal Grants Fund portion of the budget has decreased by $96,680 from levels of a year ago. There is a slight increase in the Food Services fund. This $12,870 or 1.4% increase is attributable to a projected growth in sales volume. The Food Service operation is self funding; revenues are used to offset expenses.

The School Board and Goffstown Budget Committee budget is premised upon the Town's projection of a 0.75% increase in the property tax base from last year's level. The estimated school tax rate is $12.90 per thousand. This is an increase of $1.14 from the approved rate for this current year.

Keith Allard moved seconded by Hank Boyle to move and speak to Article 4 as printed on the Warrant.

Tricia Wynne: Question on tuition revenue. Where does this come from – the $4 million?

Keith Allard: That would be New Boston and Dunbarton. GAP is also included in that number.

T. Wynne: I would like to see that in your projected revenue sheet. We have nothing to compare it to. It would be beneficial if we had the 2006/07 appropriations and actuals.

J. Raymond thanked the School Board and Budget Committee. Recognizing the State Senator and Legislators were here, I told them they could speak on school funding.

Senator D'Allesandro: Thank you for the opportunity to be here. With relation to adequacy, a few things have happened. The definition of adequacy was mandated. The final report was accepted on Friday. A bill will go before the Legislature. The basis is there will be a universal cost, which will be given to each community – there will be another item called differential aid. The Free and Reduced Priced Lunch Formula is used as an ingredient in determining aid. The constitutional amendment passed the Senate last year, but did not pass the house. The Governor is consistent with his philosophy. That is where we stand with regard to adequacy. It includes a five percent increase. It is not unique to NH. It is a process and it begins at this Legislative Session. Two things came out of the hearings; in NH we provide a quality education. We test well. The test scores are consistent. It is imperative to recognize the quality of the people involved in your education community. They do a terrific job and should be complimented for that. The community responded by authorizing the improvements to the high school and implementing kindergarten. That

preparation is a vital ingredient. The discouraging aspect is we didn't have more people here this evening. We just talked about spending $31,000,000. Deliberations over the budget are very difficult. The more people here to recognize the quality of the performance of those people in charge of your children should be recognized. We are losing site of that in NH. These halls used to be full. We need to get back to bringing people forward. Civic engagement is very important. I would hope we see more people at these meetings and get more interaction and more input.

Peter Jenkins: I understand where the tax dollar comes from, but I see that Federal grants have gone down. I wonder why. How did Goffstown fair from the State of NH this year in supporting our school system?

Senator D'Allesandro: The Federal government has passed the deficit reduction act. It cuts things across the board. That reduces spending across the board. It is a significant problem. The funding for special education has been reduced drastically.

Ray Labore: The adequacy grant is approximately $6 million. It is the same for 2008/09.

Larry Emerton, Member of the House: I serve on the House Finance Committee. This year we are not increasing the budget. There is no money available.

J. Raymond thanked the School Board and Budget Committee.

There is a primary vote tomorrow here and at Bartlett School for the seat that was vacated by Bruce Hunter. The polls will be open from 7 am to 7 pm. We hope to see you at the musical from February 14 through 17.

K. Allard moved, seconded by P. Kendall to adjourn the School District meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk

Election Results
Goffstown, NH School District
March 11, 2008

ARTICLE 1

To choose three members of the School Board for three ensuing years.

School Board (3 years)

Henry C. Boyle	1614
Philip Pancoast	1570
Sara Ann Sarette	1668

To choose one School District Official for one year.

School Treasurer (1 year)

Lissa Winrow	1765

ARTICLE 2

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Yes – 1515 No – 826

ARTICLE 3

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Yes – 1416 No – 916

ARTICLE 4

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Yes – 1273 No – 1060

Jo Ann Duffy
Goffstown School District Clerk

Goffstown School District
2009 Warrant
School Deliberative Ballot
Determination Meeting
February 2, 2009
The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Monday, the second day of February 2009, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium at Goffstown High School, at 7:00 P.M. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subject and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 10, 2009.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the Tenth day of March 2009, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 10, 2009, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all School District officers for the ensuing years:

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing two years.

To choose three School District Officials for the ensuing three years, namely: School District Moderator, School District Treasurer, School District Clerk

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY FOUR MILLION, SIX HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN DOLLARS ($34,660,647.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY FIVE MILLION, SIX HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS ($35,635,675.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does

not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. **(Majority vote is required).**

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($60,000.00) to conduct a study and to begin the preliminary work for the expansion of the School District's School facilities. Funds to come from year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1 of 2009. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article # 2, The Operating Budget Article. **(Majority vote is required).**

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to pay for the prorated salary, benefits, and transportation of the School Resources Officer (SRO) and to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND FORTY THREE DOLLARS ($54,043.00) for this purpose. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article # 2, The Operating Budget Article. **(Majority vote is required.)**

PETITION ARTICLE 5

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14?" **(3/5 Majority vote required.)**

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY 2009.

Keith Allard, Chair
Philip Pancoast, Vice Chair
Henry Boyle
Lorry Cloutier
Phillip Kendall
Virginia McKinnon
Kent Nolan
Jeffrey Tate
Suzanne Tremblay

SCHOOL BOARD

OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT

2004 - 2008

School	Grade	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
BARTLETT	Pre-School	44	47	0	0	0
	1	57	44	44	45	40
	2	46	49	50	44	44
	3	55	51	47	44	43
	4	56	56	59	45	49
Total - Bartlett		**258**	**247**	**200**	**178**	**176**
Glen Lake School	Pre-School	--	--	46	42	41
	Kindergarten	--	--	94	118	117
		--	**--**	**140**	**160**	**158**
MAPLE AVE	1	127	133	93	130	128
	2	115	133	134	98	136
	3	133	117	133	139	100
	4	143	139	108	134	142
Total - Maple Avenue		**518**	**522**	**468**	**501**	**506**
MOUNTAIN VIEW	5	178	203	202	170	184
	6	197	182	204	205	174
	7	287	287	288	291	302
	8	324	288	288	285	291
Total - MVMS		**986**	**960**	**982**	**951**	**951**
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL						
	9	356	336	358	338	343
	10	318	366	326	307	294
	11	319	348	361	303	295
	12	301	294	279	303	280
Total - GHS		**1,294**	**1,344**	**1,324**	**1,251**	**1,212**
GRAND TOTAL 2004- 2008		**3,056**	**3,073**	**3,114**	**3,041**	**3,003**

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

To the School Committee
Goffstown School District

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Goffstown School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Goffstown School District's internal accounting control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Goffstown School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Goffstown School District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, we consider current year finding 1 to be a significant deficiency.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. A significant deficiency is noted in the preceding paragraph.

In addition, during our audit we became aware of other matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. The recommendations that accompany this letter summarize our comments and suggestions concerning those matters.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, School Committee, others within the Organization, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

After you have had an opportunity to consider our comments and recommendations, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

Nashua, New Hampshire
May 12, 2008

CURRENT YEAR ISSUES:

1. **Consider Implementing Internal Control Improvements**

In accordance with a new generally accepted audit standard (SAS 112), which is effective for all fiscal year 2007 audits, independent auditors must now report issues (called "significant deficiencies") to the governing body. The definition of this term is included in the opening letter to this management letter.

SAS 112 specifically requires that certain situations, if present in the municipality, must be reported as a significant deficiency. Although these conditions may not be new to the municipality, and may be very common practices for New Hampshire municipalities, they must now be reported in the management letter. The governing body of the District should evaluate the cost/ benefit of these issues to determine whether corrective action is warranted.

The following summarizes certain of the current and past practices in the District that meet the new criteria of significant deficiencies:

Establish Internal Controls over the Preparation of Audited Financial Statements

Although the District maintains its accounting records in accordance with standards established by the State statutes, and is able to prepare reports for internal and State purposes, historically, the annual financial statements have been drafted by the independent auditor. Because the District must take full responsibility for the accuracy and disclosure of the financial statements, it must, either internally, or through the use of a qualified outside party (other than the independent auditor), review the financial statements and related footnote disclosures, to assure compliance with generally accepted accounting principles, and to verify that no material misstatements exist. Relying on the independent auditor to perform these functions is considered a control deficiency.

Corrective Action to be Considered:

The District should either provide additional staff training in the area of preparing financial statement prepared under the GASB 34 reporting model, or retain a service provider to prepare, assist in the preparation, or review of the statements to ensure material misstatements are not present.

Document Components of Internal Control

In order to establish an effective system of internal controls, the District should document the policies, procedures and controls over key financial transactions, including cash, receipts, purchasing, vendor disbursements, employee benefit/payroll disbursements, and general ledger maintenance. This documentation could be used by departments as guidance to help safeguard assets, properly record transactions, and provide a basis for

continuing operations when turnover occurs in key financial departments. Although the District maintains certain policies and procedures, they are not complete, or distributed to all applicable departmental personnel.

Corrective Action to be Considered:
Several years ago, the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency published comprehensive internal control guidance that has recently been put in place by publicly traded companies as a result of Sarbanes Oxley legislation. The COSO report outlines five components of effective internal control: Control Environment, Risk Assessment, Control Activities, Information & Communication, and Monitoring.
The District should consider implementing a written internal control framework using the COSO model.

Establish Internal Audit Function
Internal audits are an important control measure to provide some assurance that procedures are actually being performed in accordance with management's assertions, and that assets actually exist and are properly safeguarded. The District historically has relied on the independent auditor to perform these functions. This reliance, however, increases the risk that errors or irregularities could occur and not be tested or detected by management.

Corrective Action to be Considered:
The District should consider, as part of its documented internal control procedures, establishing an internal audit function to properly monitor operations and assess risk of misstatement of the financial statement caused by either errors or irregularities.

2. **Prepare for Implementation of GASB Statement 45**
The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued GASB Statement 45 which addresses other post-employment benefits (OPEB), including medical, dental, vision and other health-related benefits provided to terminated or retired employees and their dependents and beneficiaries. The standard, which will be applicable to the District in fiscal year 2009, requires employers to obtain an actuarial valuation and to disclose certain information relating to the funding progress of the plan, including:

- actuarial valuation date,
- accrued liability and total unfunded liability,
- annual covered payroll, and
- ratio of the unfunded actuarial to annual covered payroll.

We recommend the District begin the process of implementing this requirement, specifically by budgeting and contracting for an actuarial valuation.

This will assure the District is prepared to meet the upcoming reporting requirements of GASB Statement 45.

3. **Other Issues**

Prohibit Rubber Stamp Approvals: We noted that the payroll for the high school is currently approved with a rubber stamp. Because access and control of rubber stamps cannot be assured, there is an inherent risk that payroll could be inappropriately approved.

We recommend the use of rubber stamps for payroll approval be prohibited, and that all payrolls be approved by signature of the principal.

Pay From Original Invoices: We noted situations whereby vendors were paid based on copies or faxes of vendor invoices. This increases the risk of duplicate payments occurring.

We recommend vendors be paid based only on original vendor invoices.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the School Board
Goffstown School District
Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Goffstown School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Goffstown School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial

position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Schedule of Nonmajor funds on page 29 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, and we did not audit or apply limited procedures to such information and do not express any assurance on such information.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated June 10, 2008 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Nashua, New Hampshire
June 10, 2008

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Goffstown School District (the District), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time,

increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs.

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that are essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by $ 16,475,990 (i.e., net assets), a change of $ 1,829,728 in comparison to the prior year.

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $ 3,691,138, a change of $ 41,361 in comparison with the prior year.

- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was $ 2,039,583, a change of $ 1,679,641 in comparison with the prior year.

- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds and lease payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was $ 13,031,623, a change of $ (1,407,709) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
Current & other assets	$ 4,113,159	$ 3,920,407
Capital assets	26,039,749	25,695,718
Total assets	30,152,908	29,616,125
Long-term liabilities outstanding	13,193,050	14,495,313
Other liabilities	483,868	474,550
Total liabilities	13,676,918	14,969,863
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net	13,229,281	12,298,401
Restricted	724,434	384,438
Unrestricted	2,522,275	1,963,423
Total net assets	$ 16,475,990	$ 14,646,262

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	$ 800,532	$ 812,933
Operating grants and contributions	1,080,360	868,139
Capital grants and contributions	584,905	2,169,142
General revenues:		
Town assessment	18,935,086	17,502,429
Grants & contributions not restricted to specific programs	6,672,870	7,832,182
Investment income	48,854	38,504
Tuition	4,854,046	5,273,380
Miscellaneous	51,895	265,885
Total revenues	33,028,548	34,762,594
Expenses:		
Administration	3,018,050	2,803,601
Instruction	20,739,881	18,804,098
Support Services	3,344,107	3,209,677
Operation and maintenance	1,680,188	1,971,935
Transportation	1,661,771	1,603,849
Interest expense	513,487	567,468
Miscellaneous	241,336	201,100
Total Expenses	31,198,820	29,161,728
Increase in net assets	1,829,728	5,600,866
Net assets – beginning of year	14,646,262	9,045,396
Net assets – end of year	$ 16,475,990	$ 14,646,262

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were $ 16,475,990, a change of $ 1,829,728 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net assets $ 13,229,281 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources,

since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.
An additional portion of net assets $ 724,434 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets $ 2,522,275 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net assets of $ 1,829,728. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in section D.	$ 854,952
Special revenue fund expenditures over revenues	7,270
State construction aid for the new kindergarten building	584,905
Principal debt service in excess of depreciation expense	557,310
Other	(174,709)
Total	$ 1,829,728

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $ 3,691,138, a change of $ 41,361 in comparison with the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in section D	$ 854,952
Nonmajor funds	(813,591)
Total	$ 41,361

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was $ 2,039,583, while total fund balance was $ 3,078,275. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 6.6 percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 10.1 percent of that same amount.

The fund balance of the general fund changed by $ 854,952 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenues in excess of budget	$ 380,519
Expenditures less than budget	1,299,122
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(1,329,088)
Expenditure timing differences	504,399
Total	$ 854,952

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There were no differences between the original budget and the final budget.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year end amounted to $ 26,039,749 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of $ 344,031 from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- $ 463,363 Purchase of computers
- $1,405,766 Completion cost of the Kindergarten structure

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total long-term debt outstanding was $ 13,031,623, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Goffstown School District's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of the Business Manager
SAU #19
11 School Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROJECTED REVENUES 2009-2010

	2007-2008 Approved MS 24	2008-2009 Approved MS 24	2009-2010 Proposed School Board	2009-2010 Proposed Budget Committee
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES				
Adequacy Grant	6,463,633	6,463,633	6,463,633	6,463,633
School Building Aid	587,377	538,000	505,000	505,000
Kindergarten Construction Aid				
Area Voc. School Transportation Aid	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Kindergarten Bridging Aid	108,000	130,000		
Catastrophic Aid	485,000	415,000	395,000	395,000
Child Nutrition	9,600	9,600	9,600	9,600
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES				
IASA, Chapter I and II	596,680	500,000	475,000	475,000
DOE / SERESC Professional Dev.	0	0		
Child Nutrition Programs	67,000	67,000	67,000	67,000
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES				
Tuition	4,600,000	4,900,000	5,150,000	5,150,000
Driver Education Program Receipts	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Earnings on Investments	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Food Service	816,286	795,000	825,000	825,000
Medicaid	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
School Impact Fees	0	376,000		
Reimbursement Spec. Ed.	185,000	0		
SUBTOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	14,035,076	14,310,733	14,006,733	14,006,733
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Sale of Bonds				
Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		600,000		
GENERAL FUND BALANCE				
Reserved Fund Balance	300,000	300,000		
Unreserved Fund Balance	1,877,641	2,268,294	310,000	310,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	16,212,717	17,479,027	14,316,733	14,316,733
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	14,680,800	15,013,648	16,897,938	16,897,938
STATE ASSESSMENT	3,516,121	3,445,976	3,445,976	3,445,976
APPROPRIATION	34,409,638	35,938,651	34,660,647	34,660,647

Notes:

-> FY 2009- 2010 appropriation number equals the operating budget warrant article

-> Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.

-> Projected adequacy grant subject to change. State budget not enacted.

-> Estimates based upon State Aid figures available on 11/26/08

-> Fiscal year 2009- 2010 Total Appropriation is prior to any separate or special warrant articles.

DEBT SCHEDULE (as of June 30, 2008)

Years remaining on Goffstown School District's general obligation bonds.

Year	Principal	Interest	Amount Due
2008-09	1,285,000.00	447,798.75	1,732,798.75
2009-10	1,275,000.00	402,605.00	1,677,605.00
2010-11	1,210,000.00	356,315.00	1,566,315.00
2011-12	900,000.00	314,300.00	1,214,300.00
2012-13	600,000.00	281,300.00	881,300.00
2013-14	600,000.00	252,800.00	852,800.00
2014-15	600,000.00	224,150.00	824,150.00
2015-16	600,000.00	194,750.00	794,750.00
2016-17	600,000.00	164,750.00	764,750.00
2017-18	600,000.00	134,750.00	734,750.00
2018-19	600,000.00	104,750.00	704,750.00
2019-20	600,000.00	74,750.00	674,750.00
2020-21	600,000.00	44,750.00	644,750.00
2021-22	595,000.00	14,875.00	609,875.00
Total Outstanding Bonds	$10,665,000.00	$3,012,643.75	$13,677,643.75

Bond	Principal Balance	Interest Balance	Amount Due
MVMS & Elementary Bond*	2,270,000.00	126,968.75	2,396,968.75
GAHS Renovation/Addition	8,395,000.00	2,885,675.00	11,280,675.00
Total Outstanding Bonds	$10,665,000.00	$3,012,643.75	$13,677,643.75

***Note: Last Payments**

MVMS & Elementary Bond*	8/15/2011
GAHS Renovation/Addition	7/15/2021

The MVMS & Elementary Bond was refunded in August 2003 resulting in a savings of $341,879 in interest cost over the life of the Bond.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	2007 - 2008 Actual	2008 - 2009 Appropriation	2009 - 2010 Proposed School Board	2009 - 2010 Proposed Budget Committee
Regular Education	13,116,550	14,088,306	13,798,145	13,842,296
Special Education	5,065,635	6,201,311	6,172,167	6,172,167
Vocational Programs	80,755	102,050	97,000	96,439
Co-Curricular & Athletics	535,289	569,913	486,652	483,363
Summer School Programs	6,074	27,194	55,876	55,876
Other Pupil Services	27,336	31,750	26,650	26,650
Adult Education Programs	67,124	83,590	64,642	73,044
Field Rental	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Guidance	913,864	1,098,307	1,053,690	1,055,392
Guidance Records	30,321		15,835	15,835
Health Services	390,431	420,261	416,979	416,979
Speech Pathology and Audio	298,881	312,951	319,129	319,129
Curriculum Development	4,243	5,827	7,000	7,000
Staff Development	65,359	99,000	99,000	99,000
Information Center Services	462,054	525,976	490,651	490,651
Educational TV	0	3,700	0	2,000
Technical Support Services	206,970	207,453	230,920	259,358
School Board	45,700	51,424	42,484	42,094
Treasurer	1,408	2,954	2,173	2,173
District Meeting	827	4,174	4,178	4,178
Audit Services	6,500	7,865	8,650	8,650
Legal Services	30,838	10,000	10,000	10,000
SAU Services	1,042,538	1,080,905	1,131,530	1,124,991
Administration	1,972,893	2,168,276	1,963,930	1,951,197
Other Student Support Services	21,087	23,810	21,511	21,511
Other Fiscal Services	18,247			
Building Operations	2,307,643	2,480,433	2,888,175	2,841,196
Care and Upkeep of Grounds	33,265	55,200	65,700	65,700
Equipment Maintenance	180,393	63,448	109,372	109,372
Transportation	926,251	992,232	1,073,237	1,062,087
Special Needs Transportation	655,944	730,750	751,642	751,642

Skills Center Transportation	42,480	43,740	45,914	45,914
Athletic Program Transportation	61,053	63,497	61,675	61,675
Field Trip Transportation	25,446	39,405	31,535	31,535
Other Professional Services	1,551	13,000	3,000	0
GESS Course Reimbursement	7,521	9,000	9,000	8,948
Site Improvement	23,260	22,500	0	0
Debt Service	1,796,530	1,732,798	1,677,605	1,677,605
Transfer to Capital Reserve	300,000	0	0	0
Allocation to Other Agencies	0	0	0	0
Total General Fund	30,782,261	33,378,000	33,240,647	33,240,647
Food Service Fund	969,485	944,651	945,000	945,000
Federal Grants Fund	840,978	0	475,000	475,000
Capital Projects Fund	79,461	500,000	0	0
Total Goffstown School District *	32,672,185	34,822,651	34,660,647	34,660,647

*Note: The proposed fiscal year 2009-2010 columns equal the operating budget warrant article. Transfer to Capital Reserve is from Unreserved Fund Balance

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

GLEN LAKE SCHOOL

Leslie T. Doster, Principal

A wise individual once said, "Excellence is not a matter of chance; it's a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for; it's a thing to be achieved." At Glen Lake School we are a learning community dedicated to implementing best practices in early childhood education and challenging our students to strive for excellence. As a school we have established three broad goals that guide our program. Our first goal is to prepare each child for success in 1st grade. Our second goal is to foster in each child a life long love of learning. Our third goal is to provide a developmentally appropriate, nurturing learning environment that sparks a child's belief that school is a wonderful place. Our motto says it all. "Glen Lake School – A Great Place to Start"

During 2007-2008 the Glen Lake School staff focused on identifying and implementing strategies to raise student achievement in reading, writing, mathematics and science. Through professional development offered on Early Release and Teacher Workshop days staff targeted the reading and writing process, mathematics instruction and implementation of the newly revised science curriculum. Throughout the school year time was routinely scheduled for teachers to meet, review student assessment data, and collaboratively plan instruction to assure consistency from classroom to classroom. As a staff we committed ourselves to improving differentiated instruction, providing early

intervention for our struggling learners and providing enriching learning opportunities for our more advanced students. 2007-2008 was a very successful year culminating in the smooth transition of well-prepared kindergarten students to 1st grade at Bartlett and Maple Avenue Schools.

If I were to choose one word to define the 2007-2008 school year, it would be collaboration. Teachers and parents are partners in a child's education, and we are fortunate to have such wonderful parents working side by side with us. The Glen Lake School Partnership under the leadership of Kathy Kendall supported the school in a variety of ways including: providing volunteers for our special theme days, providing weekly office volunteers, funding our Weekly Reader subscriptions, funding the purchase of books for our library collection, providing classroom supplies for teachers and purchasing digital microscopes for all classrooms. The collaboration of educators and parents is a powerful tool turning a good school into a great school. As we move forward the staff and I are excited to meet the challenges ahead and to continue our commitment to making Glen Lake School an exemplary early childhood learning community.

Bartlett Elementary

David A. Bousquet, Principal

Bartlett Elementary School began its new year with 178 students and several additions to our staff. Advancing student learning continues to be the goal and focus at Bartlett Elementary School. We continue to see improvements in student achievement. On the Fall 2007 NECAP and other assessments, our students scored within the average range in both Reading and Math. Why have we seen such growth? The entire Bartlett School community is committed to take an active role in doing whatever it takes to positively impact student success.

Technology was one driving force in our advancing student learning this year. Bartlett opened a new "Smart Room" computer lab with 25 Mac computers. Students and staff constantly used this room for numerous activities such as writing and research projects. The staff worked on developing classroom webpages and blogs to help communicate what is happening in our school.

Bartlett Elementary implemented the new McGraw-Hill Science program this year. This program helped our students develop their informational reading and writing skills as well as develop their inquiry learning skills through motivating materials and lessons.

Once again, Bartlett Elementary School received a Book Ribbon Award, given to recognize schools with outstanding volunteer programs. We received this award primarily because of the hard work, dedication and support of our volunteer coordinator, Lisa Lambert. Bartlett students and staff appreciate its volunteers, such as those from the Rotary Club who read in classrooms. This organization also donated many books to our library and classrooms.

Bartlett Elementary School had two major projects that took place during the year. Phase I of the building renovation project was voted on and approved in March. This phase included many upgrades and repairs, including new administration and nurse's offices, updated electrical and technology services and

fire prevention (sprinkler) systems. Construction was scheduled to begin in summer. Also, Holly Tate chaired a subcommittee of the PTA to raise funds for a new playground. As a result of their dedication and hard work, a fantastic, unique playground was installed in May.

Throughout the year, many events and programs have taken place at Bartlett Elementary School in order to provide a well-rounded education to our students. Some of these programs included monthly All-School Meetings, Lunch With the Principal, McDonald's Student of the Month, Grandparents' Lunch, Constitution Day, Kids Voting, Martin Luther King Celebration, Dr. Seuss' Birthday, a Memorial Day Program, Fourth Grade Farewell, and our annual Talent Show and Bartlett Bash. The Bartlett community was involved in many community service activities this year. For example, food was collected during Thanksgiving and Christmas for the Network Food Drive and distributed to area families during the holidays.

Because of its dedicated, caring, and professional staff and the support from our families and the community, positive things continue to happen at Bartlett. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to help make us a wonderful learning community for our students.

Maple Avenue Elementary School

Marc Boyd, Principal

Our goal is to help all students succeed academically, socially and emotionally. The talented teaching staff is provided with continuous professional development to support lifelong learning endeavors and help ensure they have the best tools and most current knowledge for educating our students. Teachers have opportunities to work collaboratively, helping provide consistency of instruction and effective teaching practices. Professional development is offered at the school, district, and SAU level during Teacher Workshop Days, Early Release and Late Arrival Days, before and after school hours, and during the summer vacation. Many staff members also participate in state, professional organization and privately sponsored trainings. The most important outcome of ongoing professional development is for students to benefit from the best possible educational experience.

Excellent learning environments are important to student success as well. A culture of learning is evident as teachers hold high expectations for all learners to reach their full academic potential. Students feel valued and safe, and are treated with respect, dignity, and equity.

Our students approach learning enthusiastically and take pride in their work. These values are evident as you walk through our hallways and visit with our students and staff members. We believe holding each other accountable to these values will not only increase our success as an academic institution, but will also foster the positive, safe environment we promote.

This school year our teachers have been provided with a science program called the Macmillan-McGraw-Hill Science Series. This standards-based program supports the SAU Science Curriculum with its student books and

activity kits. Inquiry-based lessons are designed to provide a variety of hands-on activities that foster student understanding. The learning cycle begins with student engagement activities, followed by exploration and explanation of concepts. A variety of extension activities for greater student understanding are also available. This program also offers evaluation options and differentiated instruction strategies, so that all students have access to the curriculum.

Creating partnerships with families is a top priority. Working together, our students benefit. Our weekly newsletter, Cubby's Corner, outlines upcoming events, offers parents information about curriculum as well as many other school activities. Teachers' websites keep parents informed of classroom happenings. Endless opportunities exist for our students and families to become engaged and involved in our school community. Parent Faculty Together (PFT) events are numerous, balancing academic and social activities. Reaching out to the broader Goffstown community strengthens school, family and community connections.

Also, with the close of the school year, Mrs. Dorothy Swauger, our school nurse for the past 16 years retired. The students, their families and the school staff have come to love her and will miss her daily presence.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the incredible children we have at Maple Avenue Elementary School, the wonderful staff who are truly committed to the children and their social and academic growth and our parent group, the PFT under the direction of Lynn Fitzpatrick, who are always there for the children and staff.

Mountain View Middle School

James A. Hunt, Principal

"The pleasures arising from thinking and learning will make us think and learn all the more." *- Aristotle*

The 2007-2008 School Year at Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) included a number of significant changes that represented exciting opportunities to further advance student learning.

Reconfigured team/grade level room assignments represented a major change for returning students. In an effort to dramatically reduce passing time between classes and to promote a sense of "grade level houses" within the school, all the teams within a grade were assigned to a wing or floor.

Integration of state-of-the-art technology continued to enhance instruction and learning. The reconfigured double classrooms allotted to our Computer Lab and Smart Room increased the efficiency and effectiveness of accommodating larger groups of students for direct instruction. The space also supported larger groups of staff for professional development programming.

Faculty and administration initiated the year with a revised master schedule intended to better meet the needs of all learners. Our introduction of an Expanded Curriculum Block (ECB) for Grades 5/6 and Grades 7/8 provided teachers and students the opportunity to cross teams/grades to access Reading, Unified Arts options, Performing Arts, Technology, and low-incident special education services for expanded/accelerated course work, make-up work, re-

teaching loops, integrated teaching, etc. The scheduling of the Grade 7/8 ECB at the end of the day also supported time-on-learning in core content areas for interscholastic athletes as they no longer were required to miss last period classes when attending away games.

Consistent with our core beliefs and mission, identifying opportunities for increasing academic rigor for our accelerated learners became one of our primary goals. Dunbarton, Goffstown, and New Boston administrators and faculty recognized a significant cohort of exiting sixth grade students had achieved a level of mastery in mathematics typical of exiting, high-performing, seventh grade math students. Thus, we elected to collaborate with Goffstown High School administrators and introduce a high school equivalent Algebra I course to fifty-two seventh grade students. At the end of the school year, 22 of the accelerated math students qualified to enroll in a high school equivalent Algebra II course in Grade 8. Equally significant, 24 of the remaining accelerated math students enrolled in a high school equivalent Honors Algebra I course. We are pleased to report, at the end of the year, an additional 50 sixth grade students from Dunbarton, Goffstown, and New Boston qualified to enroll in the Grade 7 Algebra I course for the 2008-2009 School Year.

As noted in last year's Report, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEAS&C) middle school accreditation process is designed to substantiate a school's value and worth to the public it serves and, at the same time, establish an on-going plan for growth. The faculty and administration entered a dramatically significant stage of the accreditation process as our MVMS NEAS&C Steering Committee formally organized, met with the Director of the Commission on Public Elementary and Middle Schools, and began the demanding task of completing a comprehensive MVMS Self-study. The NEAS&C Accreditation Self-study document will serve as the primary focus for an NEAS&C Visiting Team peer review in March 2009.

Goffstown High School

Frank J. McBride, Principal

Since September of 2007, Goffstown High School students have been making their marks in many fields. Among many high points of the 2007-2008 school year, I highlight just a few—in academic achievement, in sports, and in art; and then review our ongoing goals development.

Academics: Our class of 2008 valedictorian, Tyler Clites, matriculated at Harvard University in September of 2008.

Sports: In June 2008, Goffstown scored big in state athletics by taking its first Class L Baseball championship.

Art: Goffstown High School art students brought home the most awards ever in statewide and national competitions. Five GHS juniors were accepted into the Art All-State program (the maximum accepted from one school). At the state level of the prestigious Scholastic Art Awards, GHS students received a total of 46 awards, including 17 Gold Keys, which were sent on to national competition. At the Scholastic national competition, Annie LoPresti won a Gold Key—

awarded in June 2008. Mackenzie Perra won the national Congressional Art Award, and her work is still on display in Washington, D.C.

Goals development: We continue work to engage students and faculty in the pursuit of academic rigor, instituting and continuing these programs over the past three years with the hope of creating appropriate challenge for each student, and developing students' reading and test-taking skills:

1. Promoting a school-wide Sustained Silent Reading program (SSR). Students who have a scheduled study hall spend the first 30 minutes (of the 90-minute block) reading self-selected books.
2. Offering specific SAT test-taking practice and instruction as part of regular English instruction in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.
3. Offering all students in grades 10 and 11 the opportunity during the school day to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). On October 15, 2008, 344 tenth and eleventh grade students took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT), the largest number ever to take that test at GHS. The results give students an idea of how they may do on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), as well as providing strategies to help improve their skills and scores if necessary.
4. Focusing through our comprehensive guidance program on the importance of preparing for and doing well on the SAT and other tests—as part of the process of planning realistically for post-high school choices.

In line with this goal of establishing and reinforcing rigorous expectations for all, we started in September of 2007 with separate honors classes for English, science, and social studies at each grade level. In addition, next year's 9th grade students will have the opportunity to sign up for AP World History—the first Advanced Placement course to be offered at the 9th grade level.

During 2007-2008, the faculty and administration reviewed a proposal to change the way grade point averages (GPAs) are figured. We believe that weighting GPAs will positively affect enrollment in honors level courses and encourage students to engage in coursework that advances their learning with rigor and challenge. This November 2008, the School Board approved that proposal (to go into effect in September 2009) for a weighted grade point average (GPA) for the purpose of determining class rank.

The Student Services Department continues to explore ways to build relationships with local schools, offering several Running Start courses, which allow students to get college credit at the NH Community Colleges. We have also developed an articulation agreement with Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) that creates an admission track for students who might not otherwise seek such an option. In these ways we hope to expand post-secondary options for our students.

As our programs grow and our students advance in skills and knowledge, we strive for greater learning opportunities, so that we can fulfill our mission: "to be a caring community of impassioned learners who will thrive in an ever-changing world."

Solid Waste and Recycling Program

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING PROGRAM:

- GLASS should be rinsed clean. Clear, brown and green glass is accepted.
- ALUMINUM, TIN and STEEL CANS should be rinsed clean.
- PLASTIC should be rinsed clean. #1 through #7 plastic is accepted. Containers and bags must be clearly marked with the number and recycling symbol.
- ASEPTIC PACKAGING such as juice boxes and milk cartons should be completely emptied and rinsed if possible.
- CORRUGATED CARDBOARD should be flattened and cut down so that it fits inside the 65 gallon recycling tote.
- MIXED PAPER - junk mail, magazines, newspaper, cereal boxes, office paper, etc. are accepted. Soiled paper products are not accepted.

Please do not place food waste, cigarette butts, or personal hygiene products in the Blue Recycling Tote. Plastic bags should not be used.

TRANSFER STATION DROP-OFF PROGRAM:

- TEXTILES should be clean, dry and bagged.
- CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS - painted lumber, windows, doors, asphalt roofing materials, sheet rock, etc. are accepted for a fee.
- ALL DRY CELL (HOUSEHOLD) BATTERIES are accepted.
- WET-CELL BATTERIES such as automotive batteries are accepted, providing the cases are not broken.
- LEAD SINKERS, WASTE OIL, ANTI-FREEZE, FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS, COMPUTER SOFTWARE, RECORDS, and CDs are accepted.
- LEAVES must be removed from plastic bags and placed in the compost pile. BRUSH is limited to no larger than 5" in diameter.
- SCRAP METALS such as appliances, bikes, etc. are accepted.
- PROPANE TANKS are accepted for a fee. TIRES are accepted for a fee.
- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE is accepted by appointment.

Please contact the Transfer Station for a complete listing of fees and acceptable items (497-4824).

TRANSFER STATION SCHEDULE:

The transfer station is open **Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 am to 3 pm.** The Transfer Station holiday schedule can be found at the following web link: http://www.ci.goffstown.nh.us/dpw.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call 497-4824.



Goffstown High School Baseball Team
2008 Class L Champions

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